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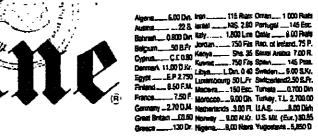
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Mr. Takeshita during debate on his tax measure.

A Major Tax Overhaul Passed by Japan House

By Patrick L. Smith Grand Bleu." The prize TOKYO — The Japanese House for Florence Gould, who is the following of Representatives approved Wednesday a sweeping overhaul of the national tax system, marking a hard-won personal triumph for Prime Minister Noborn Takeshita and a major victory for the governing Liberal Democratic Party.

The parliamentary success of Mr. Takeshita's reforms, which include a new tax on consumption, came amid escalating political at-tacks on leaders of the ruling party for their involvement in a stock scandal, which has blocked debate on the legislation since it surfaced.

Liberal Democrats in the lower house of the Diet, Japan's parliament, voted unanimously for the package of six bills and immediately sent the legislation to the upper house, in which the ruling party enjoys a comfortable majority. No date has been set for debate in the House of Councillors but approval there is considered certain.

With approval of the upper house. Mr. Takeshita's reforms are likely to become law in time to be incorporated into the budget for the 1989 fiscal year, which begins April 1.

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Papandreou

Shifts Cabinet

ATHENS (AP) — Prime Minister Andreas Papandreon reshuffled his cabinet on

Wednesday amid opposition

calls for the resignation of his Socialist government because of a financial scandal.

The shake-up abolished the

key posts of deputy prime minister, held by two cabinet

ministers and increased the

cabinet of Mr. Papandreou's Panhellenic Socialist Move-

ment from 47 to 56 members.

The governing party is expected to extend the current special session of the Diet beyond its sched-

uled conclusion on Nov. 24. Two opposition parties, including the largest, the Japan Socialist Party, boycotted Wednesday's session. But the participation of other opposition legislators, although they voted manimously against the reforms, lent the proceedings a measure of political legitimacy for which Mr. Takeshita had bargained arduously over the past sev-

eral days. The tax plan would substantially reduce and simplify personal and corporate income tax rates, impose a sales tax of 3 percent and create a capital gains tax on stock trades. The measure is intended to make Japan's tax system more equitable and to stimulate the economy. Critics say the sales tax will represent

an overall tax increase. Mr. Takeshita has staked his p litical reputation on the tax bills. Since he took office a year ago, the measures have been promoted as a major element in Japan's ability to sustain domestic consumption. In the decade since basic changes in the tax system were first attempted,

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'Yanqui, Si!': **Dollars Lure** Nicaraguans

By Julia Preston Washington Post Service
MANAGUA — Mercedes Cajina is the envy of her neighbors, who noticed her come home the other day with new shoes.

Mrs. Cajina rose to the cream of the working-class Maximo Jerez neighborhood five months ago when her husband, Romel, left for Florida and started sending back \$200 a month. Those in the community who have no dollars are agonizing over how to pay for their children's meals.

During more than nine years in power, the Sandinista government has seen the United States as its most dangerous enemy and pledged to free Nicaragua from the bonds of "Yankee imperialism." But a devastating economic crisis this year has made Nicaraguans seek more U.S. ties to ensure a minimal living.

Across Managua neighborhoods, countless families either depend on funds from relatives in the States, or are sending their working-age children there. A growing number are pulling up stakes and moving stateside for good. On the Cajina family's block of

cramped cement row houses, six are for sale by owners who will only accept payment in dollars because they are moving to the United

"Everyone's just trying to figure out how to get out of here," said Daysi Montiel, a young housewife. Most families along the street who are staying have some help from relatives in the United States, resi-

dents said. Economy Minister Luis Carrion said a recurring estimate of the amount Nicaraguans send home in a year is \$60 million. That is about two-thirds of what Nicaragua earns

from coffee, its major export. Some families send remittances through legal exchange houses, which take a commission. Many dollars arrive hidden in travelers bags. Some dollars are wired to Guatemala, where Nicaraguans can travel without visas to pick up See NICARAGUA, Page 6

U.S. Gap In Trade **Narrows**

Markets Slump On Fears About **Dollar and Rates**

By Stuart Auerbach

Wishington Post Service
WASHINGTON — The U.S.
trade deficit fell to \$10.5 billion in
September, down nearly \$2 billion
from August, the government said
Wednesday, but the decrease was not enough to prevent a new assault on the dollar and stock prices. Analysts said the trade report should ease some inflationary fears, but others predicted that the Federal Reserve Board would push U.S. interest rates up to cool con-

Imports dropped 2.8 percent in September from a record high in August, but the \$38.7 billion in U.S. purchases of foreign goods still remained substantially above the average for the year. This indicated the stubborn trade deficit would not quickly disappear. U.S. exports rose 2.6 percent, to a record \$28.2 billion, in September. The improvement in the trade

numbers was insufficient to calm ittery financial markets. expectations that interest rates would rise, in part to support the slumping dollar and contain infla-

See TRADE, Page 19

Fed Chief Asks Deficit Action

Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, urged Congress and the White House to cut the huge U.S.

budget deficit.
"Such large and persistent deficits are slowly but inexorably damaging the economy, Mr. Greenspan told the Na-

tional Economic Commission. President-elect George Bush has suggested reducing the deficit by freezing spend-ing and by encouraging eco-nomic growth, which would increase revenues. (Page 13.) **Israel Fights to Counter PLO** and dissatisfaction in the clearest JERUSALEM - Israel has un-

Peace Prevails as Pakistanis Vote in General Elections

Women lining up to vote at a polling station in Karachi on Wednesday in the first multiparty

national election in Pakistan in 11 years. No violence or major fraud had been reported when the

polls closed. The opposition leader, Benazir Bhutto, claimed victory after early returns showed her

populist party leading but it was unconfirmed. The results are not expected until Thursday.

words possible." dertaken a diplomatic campaign The spokesman, Dani Shak, said intended to counter the political the government hoped that this would "not mean relations between offensive by the Palestine Liberation Organization after its declara-Israel and Turkey will be hurt." So tion of an independent Palestinian far, Turkey is the only country that has diplomatic relations with Israel to recognize the Palestinian state. Foreign Ministry officials said Israeli diplomats abroad had been instructed to meet with politicians More than 20 mostly Arab and Moslem countries have also recognized it. Among nations outside the and the news media in the countries where they work, in an effort to Middle East that have recognized

> Yugoslavia, Mauritania, Indonesia, Zambia and Nicaragua. The Turkish diplomat, Ekrem Guvendiren, said he had reminded Israelis that in 1948 "Turkey was the first country in Asia to recognize the independent state of Isra-

the new state are India, Pakistan,

man said the diplomat was told of el." "Turkey recognizes the PLO as the legitimate representative of the Palestinian people and respects the decisions taken at the Palestine National Council meeting in Algiers,"

Mr. Guvendiren said after his meeting at the Foreign Ministry. The Turkish government considers those decisions as realistic and constructive." Despite having expressed disap-pointment over Turkey's action, Foreign Ministry officials said

> "Everybody knows it's not how many countries recognize the Pal-estinian state, but which kinds," Mr. Shak said. "The nonaligned Arab countries don't count.

Wednesday that they were largely convinced that no Western nation would recognize the Palestinian

The important ones are the Eastern

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Greetings for the Guest at Reagan's Last State Dinner

persuade them to endorse Israel's rejection of the PLO declaration.

In Jerusalem, the government re-proached Turkey on Wednesday

for officially recognizing the Pales-tinian state. The Turkish charge

d'affaires was summoned to the

Foreign Ministry, where a spokes-

Israel's "disappointment, regret

President Ronald Reagan and his wife, Nancy, right, White House state dinner. She praised his administration as greeting Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Britain at the "one of the greatest in American history." Mrs. Thatcher White House on Wednesday. Mrs. Thatcher was to be the said that her visit was also aimed at looking ahead to the guest of honor during the evening at Mr. Reagan's last incoming administration of President-elect George Bush.

For Marcoses, 'Imeldific' Life in Exile

By Kendall J. Wills New York Times Service

HONOLULU - Despite Imelda Marcos's complaint that living in exile in Hawaii for the last two years has resembled a prison sentence, friends and other people say that she and her husband, Ferdinand, still enjoy the high life they grew accustomed to in

They host weekly Sunday afternoon gatherings and lavishly catered dinners at their multimillion-dollar Makiki Heights estate. There are spacious gardens and a swimming pool on the property, which overlooks down-town Honolulu and the Pacific Ocean.

They hold dinner parties at some of the most expensive restaurants in town, and Mrs. Marcos makes occasional shopping trips to Honolulu's designer dress shops. Even the indictments of Mrs. Marcos and

her husband, the former president of the Philippines, on federal charges of fraud and racketeering apparently have not tempered their flair. Mrs. Marcos proudly told reporters in New York recently that a new word, "Imeldific," should be coined to describe her special sort of ostentatiousness.

Yet, according to one of the couple's lawyers, they have "been forced to live on borrowed funds" since arriving in the United States in February 1986 because the Philippine government has effectively frozen the couple's assets. The couple has said that the house is rented

for their use and that friends are making the payments. The rent is said to be several thousand dollars a month. Although the Marcoses do not seek publicity, partly at the advice of their lawyers, they

often get it. Both have been accused in a

complex case involving charges of embezzling more than \$100 million from the Philippine government and of using the money to buy

three buildings in New York. Mrs. Marcos flew to New York in late October to be arraigned on the charges. Mr. Marcos remained in Hawaii because of poor health, and his arraignment was postponed.

The couple has only occasionally sought out the news media since being evacuated from the Philippines along with about 90 supporters. But on the island of Oahu, where the social atmosphere in many ways resembles a small town, the comings and goings of such a prominent couple are guaranteed to attract attention.

"She's quite something," said an employee of Sergio's, an Italian restaurant that is See IMELDIFIC, Page 6

Moscow With A Declaration Of 'Sovereignty' By David Remnick Bashington Post Service TALLINN, U.S.S.R. — In an

Estonia Defies

unprecedented challenge to Krem-lin power, the Communist Party leadership of Estonia declared the republic "sovereign" Wednesday at a special session of the republic's legislature.
"The Estonian Supreme Soviet

declares the supremacy of its laws over the laws of the U.S.S.R.," read a statement that won the overwhelming endorsement of the legis-

The legislators also amended the republic's laws and constitution to specify that Estonia, and not Moscow, will control its land, natural resources, factories, banks, farms, and housing. They also adopted laws reserving the right to exercise veto power over decisions made in Moscow and to maintain sovereignty in every area except military

and foreign policy.
The Baltic challenge to Moscow, which reached new heights with the approval of the declaration, is a rning point in the short history of Soviet plans for change. In many ways it is a more serious domestic problem for President Mikhail S. Gorbachev than the dispute earlier this year in Transcaucasia over the Nagorno-Karabakh Autonomous By legally declaring sovereignty

from Moscow, Estonia's leadership is testing Mr. Gorbachev's own oratory on "democratization." Mr. Gorbachev's choice is clear and difficult: to tighten his grip on

Estonia and cause inevitable unrest or to loosen his grip and yield pow-

The Baltic republics — Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania — have long been the most progressive of the Soviet Union's 15 constituent republics. In recent weeks, the Communist

Party leadership in Estonia and the mass movement known as the Popular Front have been in general agreement, fighting Moscow on a series of proposed changes in the Soviet constitution. They assert centralization, and they have demanded greater independence for the Soviet republics.

Although one Popular Front leader, Marju Lauristin, said Wednesday that "no one is seeking a collision course with Moscow, conflict appears inevitable.

In a speech in the region of Orel south of Moscow, Mr. Gorbachev appeared on Tuesday to give a warning to movements like those in the Baltics when he said "no one should be speaking in the language



Earlier this week, he sent three members of the ruling Politburo to the Baltic republics. Viktor K. Chebrikov, former head of the KGB, came to Tallinn and quickly issued an ominous warning to Estonians: "One may gain independence but lose everything else."
But Popular Front leaders said

that Mr. Chebrikov had seemed to soften his position somewhat during his trip. His final speech in Tallinn, published Wednesday in the Estonian press, was considerably less confrontational than his earlier speeches, which were reported in the central press. Before the parliamentary session

began on Wednesday, more than 1,000 Estonians stood across a plaza from the Supreme Soviet building on the steps of a Russian Or-thodox church. They waved the traditional blue, black, and white Estonian tricolor and waved banners reading "no to the colonializa-tion of Estonia" and "we must be the masters of our land"

Estonia, a republic of 1.5 million people, came under Soviet rule in 1940 after the 1939 Nazi-Soviet pact. Since then, the migration of Russian workers into the republic has caused the percentage of Esto-nians in the population to drop to 60 percent from 94 percent.

The session opened with a dramatic stroke. The Estonian prime minister, Bruno Saul, who has been criticized by the Popular Front for being too close to the Moscow leadership, was replaced by Indrek Toome, an ally of the progressive Estonian Communist Party chief, Vaino Valyas.

Mr. Valyas has a close relationship with Mr. Gorbachev. Ever since the rise of the Popular Front this summer, Estonia has

been in the Soviet political avant-See ESTONIA, Page 6 President Gorbachev's autumn diplomacy drive seems aimed at so-lidifying Kremlin gains. Page 5.

Sununu as Chief of Staff

Bush Expected to Name

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches WASHINGTON - Presidentelect George Bush will reach outside the Washington establishment to name Governor John H. Sununu of New Hampshire to the influen-tial post of White House chief of

staff, aides said. The vice president remained publicly uncommitted Wednesday about filling the job of chief of staff, saying "no final decisions" had been made. But sources close to Mr. Bush said that he was expected to make the announcement

on Mr. Sununu soon. After the president, the chief of staff is the next most powerful person in the White House, with influence over access to the Oval Office. the agenda, scheduling and other

In Concord, New Hampshire, Mr. Sumunu refused at a news conference on Wednesday to confirm the reports.

Mr. Bush spent the day in separate meetings with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Britain and Andrei D. Sakharov, the Soviet dissident. He will meet Mrs. Thatcher again for breakfast Thursday.

The apparent selection of Mr. Sununu followed an intense internal struggle among top Bush advis-

Some members of Mr. Bush's inner circle had favored Craig L. Fuller, who has served as the chief of staff for the vice president since February 1985, to continue that

chiefs nan argued for a power-sharing arrangement involving both men and Robert Teeter, a political strategist and ability at the strategist at the strategist and ability at the strategist and ability at the strategi litical strategist and chief poll taker for Mr. Bush.

Aides involved in the transition between administrations said Mr. Bush decided to appoint Mr. Sununu in the top spot and to offer senior deputy positions to Mr. Fuller and Mr. Teeter, serving un-

der Mr. Summir Mr. Fuller is also being considsaid the aides, who spoke on condi-

tion of anonymity.

The choice of Mr. Sununu, a relative Washington outsider, comes after Mr. Bush announced that his first two appointments of his administration would go to Reagan administration veterans. He designated James A. Baker 3d as his secretary of state and said that Nicholas F. Brady would remain as

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Nicholas Brady shows a penchant at Treasury for traditionalism. John Sumunu "knows how push" the bureaucracy.

Treasury secretary. Mr. Brady took over the Treasury post in August when Mr. Baker resigned to run Mr. Bush's campaign.

All of the staff and volunteers involved in the Bush takeover of power were asked to sign a "standards of conduct" document that applies both during the transition and a Bush presidency.

At the top of the list was a promise not to leak information.

Mr. Fuller and Mr. Teeter announced additions to Mr. Bush's transition team. Among them were Michael Farren, deputy director; Tom Collamore and Kathleen Shanahan, for liaison with the vice president's office; David Demarest, director of public affairs; Janet Mullins, congressional relations;

In other comments Wednesday, Mr. Fuller played down expectations about the December meeting in New York of President Mikhail S. Gorbachev of the Soviet Union, President Reagan and Mr. Bush. Mr. Fuller said that "any discus-

sion they have about the future, I think, will be fairly brief and will be designed merely to set the stage" ered for a possible cabinet position, for future meetings. (AP, NYT)

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Soviet Cuts In Military Are Urged By Sakharov

By Michael R. Gordon New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - Andrei D. Sakharov, the Soviet physicist and human rights campaigner, has called on the Soviet Union to unilaterally cut the size of its military.

Mr. Sakharov said Tuesday that the Soviet military was larger than necessary to protect the country's security. Reducing the size of the armed forces, he said, would help restore trust between the United States and the Soviet Union.

But Mr. Sakharov coupled his appeal with a general endorsement of Moscow's approach to arms control. Repeating a major Soviet theme, he also called on Western nations to abandon longstanding insistence on the right to initiate the use of nuclear weapons against a Soviet conventional attack

Mr. Sakharov made his appeal after accepting the Albert Ein Peace Prize, awarded by a board of academic, business and scientific leaders. He said he had given long thought to what steps the Soviet Union could take to improve East-West relations.

"I came to the conclusion that the best thing for us to do would be a unilateral reduction of military forces and that would have to begin with the cartailment of the terms of military service," he said.

The Soviet military numbers

By Richard Witkin

New York Times Service

NEW YORK — Contending that many "deficiencies" allowed President Ronald Reagan's plane to fly

illegally close to another autiner last month, a federal

safety agency has called for an urgent review of the

The National Transportation Safety Board says it

"believes that the serionsness and magnitude of the problems justifies the highest level" of action by the Federal Aviation Administration.

The FAA operates the traffic control system and is

The safety board is an independent agency estab-

lished by Congress. It can make recommendations to

However, its indictment was one of the most far-

The president's plane, Air Force One, was on a flight from Philadelphia to Newark. New Jersey, on Oct. 12 when it passed a Bar Harbor Airlines twinengine turboprop at 500 feet (152 meters) vertically and 1.58 miles (2.55 kilometers) horizontally.

reaching criticisms it has directed at the aviation in the high-traffic" Northeast.

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the FAA but it has no power to issue orders.

traffic control system throughout the Northeast.

part of the Transportation Department.

agency in recent years.



Senator Edward M. Kennedy greeting Mr. Sakharov as he arrived for a dinner in his honor at the senator's home near Washington.

volved in construction, civil de-

do not include reserves.

The Soviet president, Mikhail S. Gorbachev, said recently that the Soviet authorities were considering whether to shorten the period of

But Mr. Gorbachev has also suggested that reductions in size of the Soviet military should be accompa-

U.S. Gives Soviets Western Terms For a Rights Conference in Moscow

By Don Oberdorfer

gton Post Service Previously, U.S. officials had WASHINGTON — The United States has presented the Soviet Union with a newly forged allied told the Soviets and U.S. allies that Washington might send represen-tatives to a Moscow human rights position on a Soviet proposal for an tatives to a Moscow human rights international human rights conference if key conditions were ence in Moscow in 1991, in a move met. The British had declined to go that officials hope may open the even that far. The new position. way for a new set of East-West officials said, is that the United arms reduction talks, State Depart-States and its allies will attend a ment officials say. Moscow conference if specified The allied position, which repreconditions are met.

sents significant shifts by the United States and Britain, was present-ed last week to Soviet officials in Europe and Washington, and in a letter from Secretary of State George P. Shultz to Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze, the officials said Tuesday.

At about the same time, however, France posed a new complication by shifting its stand on pro-posed East-West talks to reduce West. No number or list was given, but the United States is referring to conventional military forces in Europe, U.S. officials said.

They said the French demand involved the nature of the link between two East-West negotiations, 35-nation talks under way in Vien-na on confidence-building measures, and planned 23-nation talks on conventional arms cuts.

The head of the U.S. delegation to the talks in Vienna. Warren Zimmermann, called the French shift "a very serious problem." He said that it had taken other Western nations by surprise.

The new allied position on a Moscow human rights conference was reached two weeks ago in dis-said that while China allocates 50 cussions in Washington, and Euro-million tons of grain annually to pean capitals, and involved a letter feed city residents, an additional

from President Ronald Reagan to
Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

• Emigration of all Soviet Jews
Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. refused exit visas.

A commitment to further increases in emigration from the Soviet Union.

 Progress on ending the Soviet mming of Radio Free Europe. Radio Liberty and Radio Israel ■ A concrete affirmation that the

Soviet Union will put into place

laws and institutions that make

permanent its recent moves toward

One official characterized the improvement of human rights. change as from "maybe" to "yes, In addition, the Soviets were told that access to the proposed Mos-Officials said these were among cow conference must be guaran-teed to dissidents, human rights the conditions, which were set forth

groups and the international press. Release from Soviet prisons of The proposed rights conference

the remaining "prisoners of con-science" who are known to the is one of the main issues in the way of completing the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Enrope in Vienna, begun in 1986. Successful completion of the Vienna 180 to 200 persons it believes are in uman rights talks, in turn, is a Release of the sole remaining Helsinki monitor jailed by the So-Western requirement for starting new East-West conventional arms

Grain Shortage Is Brewing in China

BELIING - China, facing a shortfall in its grain harvest this year, is drinking up too much grain as alcohol, the newspaper Jingji Ri-bao warned Wednesday.

in the messages to the Soviets:

The economic daily newspaper

12.5 million tons will be used by brewers and distillers this year to make grain-based liquor.

Because of bad summer weather and other problems, China's grain harvest this year is estimated at 395 million to 400 million tons, below the government's target of 410 million tons and last year's output of

program is inadequate."
"Many times," the board said, "managerial, operational, and training problems, which were identified during previous quality assurance evaluations, remain

uncorrected a year or two later and are found to be

contributing factors to operational errors."

The safety board criticized the FAA's insistence on

assigning the quality assurance job to personnel within the agency's air traffic control organization, instead of

to independent employees reporting to the head of the

separation of responsibility had been strongly recom-

mended after its inquiry into controller errors at the

The FAA replied that it was setting up a special evaluation office as an "independent body to insure an

unbiased evaluation and quality assurance function."

But it was still under the jurisdiction of the head of the

The board noted that, as recently as August, such a

WORLD BRIEFS

U.S. Arms Delegate Reports Progress

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. and Soviet arms delegates have made "a tremendous amount of progress" in the latest four-month round of talks on a long-range nuclear arms reduction treaty, the chief U.S. negotiator

The 10th round of talks, which adjourned Tuesday in Geneva, left many items still unresolved in discussions of a treaty to cut long-range nuclear forces in half, said the negotiator, Max M. Kampelman. He added, however: "I am impressed with how many agreements we already have."

Soviet officials said Tuesday that they hoped for "new progress" in the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks under the George Bush administration. Mr. Kampelman did not say whether he would continue to lead the talks after President-elect Bush takes office Jan. 20. He said that new approaches could be useful and that there were "no indispensable people in

Pyongyang Asks Reunification Talks

SEOUL (UPI) — North Korea on Wednesday proposed talks with South Korean leaders "for the promotion of the independent and peaceful reunification of the country." Prime Minister Yi Kun Mo of North Korea, in a letter to Prime Minister Lee Hyun Chae, suggested that leading officials of both nations meet on the border in mid-December, according to the Korean Central News Agency, monitored in

In Seoul, officials said the government would respond after studying the study the proposal. Mr. Yt's letter arrived on the eve of the sixth round of talks between parliamentarians of both sides in Pannanjom aimed at arranging full-scale reunification talks either in Pyongyang or

In the previous five rounds of talks, held in Azigust and October, each side refused to make major changes in its positions and blamed the other

Israel Tested Nuclear-Capable Missile

LONDON (AP) — Israel has conducted a second secret test of A tactical ground to ground missile with nuclear capability, Jane's Defense Weekly reported Wednesday. The Jericho-2 missile was fired into the Mediterranean in September, around the time Israel launched an experimental satellite into space, the military journal reported unidentified

U.S. intelligence sources as saying

The two larmchings did not appear related, Jane's said. The missile was first test-fired in May 1987 and splashed down south of the Greek island of Crete. Jane's said.

The 1987 launching carried the missile 530 miles (858 kilometers), and the missile was projected to have a maximum range of 940 miles, putting it in striking range of all the Arab capitals, Jane's said. The launching in September did not yield any additional information regarding the missile's capabilities, it said.

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About 5,000 Brassels police officers demonstrated Wednesday to demand higher pay on the minth day of a strike that has caused traffic jams in Brussels and divided the six-month-old coalition government... (AFP)

TRAVEL UPDATE

lovakia, trying to ease shortages on the domestic market, has imposed restrictions on goods that can be taken out of the country, including meat, spices, tea and coffee, cocoa, children's clothing and

Drivers pounding over potholed roads at reckiess speeds cause 40,000 traffic deaths a year in the Soviet Union, the newspaper Pravda said Wednesday. "There is a lack of elementary ethics on the road," the paper said, "with drivers behaving rudely and without any respect towards each

Flight delays at O'Hare International Airport in Chicago have worsened since the Federal Aviation Administration limited landings per hour there for safety reasons. American Airlines said 25 percent of its 285 daily O'Hare arrivals were delayed 15 minutes or more in October. In the same month last year, 2 percent of its arrivals had similar delays.

the International Institute for Stra-size of the Chinese military is estitegic Studies. But about 1.5 million mated at 3.2 million. These figures of these are noncombatants in-

fense and railroads. In contrast, the United States military numbers about 2.2 million, according to the institute. France

has an active military of about 546,000. There are about half a million military personnel on ac-

compulsory military service.

about 5.1 million men, according to tive duty in West Germany. The nied by similar cuts in the West.

A controller, spotting the converging flight paths, radioed belated instructions to ensure a safe separa-

tion and the president was never in imminent danger.

But the distance between the planes was much

The incident occurred at an altitude of 11,000 feet.

The safety board said its inquiry "identified numer-

"The safety board believes," it continued, "that

these deficiencies represent a serious lack of effective

management and quality assurance of these facilities

and, if not corrected, could lead to an erosion of safety

"The FAA should conduct an independent evalua-

The four FAA stations singled out included radar

facilities near Washington and New York, and in

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tion of these facilities and implement appropriate corrective action immediately," the board said.

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The harshest criticisms were centered on the "quality assurance" program that the FAA uses to monitor the traffic control system and make certain that its operations are at peak efficiency. The board said inquiries into past accidents and

incidents had repeatedly criticized the quality assurance program at the "national, regional and facility

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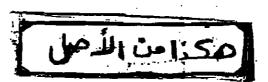
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Brady at Treasury: Reports Programme Treat And the Status Quo

By Paul Blustein

Washington Post Service WASHINGTON — Nicholas F. Brady, the man President-elect George Bush has named to run the Treasury Department, is as moderate and pragmatic a Republican as the man he replaced in August — James A. Baker 3d. But Mr. Brady has a different style and temperament than that of Mr. Baker, and that may produce a different approach to economic policy.

Mr. Baker favored bold imitiatives and showed a penchant for the freewheeling capitalism of his native Texas; Mr. Brady is more cautious and willing to consider measures to contain the excesses of capitalism in order to preserve the stams quo, according to people who know both men well.

Mr. Brady "is more traditionally conservative," an administration official said. "That may reflect one fellow being from Texas and the other being from the Eastern establishment." The official added: "As Nick gets used to his job, maybe he'll get more adventuresome.

Given the problems Mr. Brady faces, he may find he has little choice but to become adventureconducted a second secret in the dollar or a rise in interest rith nuclear capability, Janein, wrates is very real if there is little or no progress next year in reducing

Greek Court Delays Ruling

The Associated Press ATHENS - The Greek Supreme Court has postponed a decision on the extradition of a Palestinian wanted by the United States for the 1982 bombing of a Pan relatively small by Wall Street stan-American World Airways jetliner. dards.

By Thomas B. Edsall

Washington. Post Service

WASHINGTON — The nega-

tive attacks on Governor Michael

S. Dukakis that were designed to

raise doubts about his patriotism

and his commitment to combat

crime contributed significantly to

President-elect George Bush's vic-tory last week, according to a sur-

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We find the success of the Bush

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sies salient, while at the same time making Bush vulnerabilities of less

relative importance," officials of

the Gallup Organization, which

conducted a series of polls for the

newspaper chain, concluded in the

report made public Tuesday.

the U.S. budget and trade deficits. The savings and loan industry, meanwhile, is in need of a financial

Mr. Brady can claim some experience in facing argent policy prob-lems. After the stock market crash of Oct. 19, 1987, President Ronald Reagan named him chairman of a five-member commission to propose preventive measures. Operating under a 60-day deadline, the panel proposed a major overhaul of the regulatory structure dealing with the financial markets.

To critics in the White House and the Baker Treasury, the panel's proposals seemed aimed at protecting the old Wall Street establishment from the upstarts who had devised new methods of speculating and hedging such as options and futures trading. The administration ignored most of the panel's recommendations.

Mr. Brady's distaste for some of Wall Street's practices also was reflected in his opposition to the growing use of "junk bonds" to finance takeovers. The junk bond fad "increasingly endangers our savings institutions and our system of corporate enterprise," he wrote in a 1985 op-ed article in The New

York Times. Whether or not such positions reflected a desire to protect the Wall Street establishment, Mr. Brady is indisputably a product of that establishment. Until his appointment to the Treasury by Mr. Reagan on Aug. 5, Mr. Brady was co-chairman of Dillon, Read & Co., an old-line investment banking firm that traded on its longstanding relationships with clients and stayed

Mr. Brady, who married his childhood sweetheart and who has tors included the founders of several companies, and he graduated from St. Mark's School in Southfour children, dislikes ostentation and is frequently on the prowl for inexpensive restaurants, his friends as Richard G. Darman, Mr. Bush's boro, Massachusetts, Yale University and Harvard Business School "We always used to kid him before joining Dillon, Read in about his 20-year-old sweaters and his 10-year-old Chevy," said C. Austin Fitts, a managing director He was once chairman of the

His tight-fistedness may have some impact on policy. Mr. Brady reportedly became annoyed recentabout a congressional proposal establish a special commission on the savings and loan crisis because the panel would have required a \$500,000 budget.

friends as an unpretentious man Mr. Brady's unassuming personwith a finely honed sense of humor. His estate in Far Hills, New Jersey, ality suggests that he is likely to

Mr. Brady, 58, was born and bred for such high-powered financial responsibility. His Irish ances
Mr. Brady, 58, was born and is marked by a sign that says "Dog-play less of a powerful role in setting economic policy than Mr. Bak-er did. Moreover, Mr. Brady's rivals for influence within the Bush

administration will presumably in-

And Mr. Baker himself, as Secretary of State, is likely to maintain considerable authority over eco-

nomic matters. But Mr. Brady's friends say he should not be underestimated. For one thing, he is close to the president-elect, whom he met in the 1970s through Mr. Bush's brother Jonathan. For another, Mr. Fitts said, "he is the steadiest, calmest and most clearheaded person in a crisis that I've ever met.'

Sununu, Probable Bush Staff Chief, 'Knows How to Push' Bureaucracy

By Joe Pichirallo Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - Governor John H. Sununu of New Hampshire, who reportedly has been cho-sen as chief of staff by Presidentelect George Bush, has developed a reputation as a demanding and tough executive with a quick mind versial stands and sticking by them.

A 49-year-old college professor with a doctorate in mechanical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Mr. Sun- with his pronounced ego and agunu had scant government experience before he was first elected governor in 1982.

But he has left a strong mark on the New Hampshire government. Credited with turning a budget deficit into a surplus, he became known for his blunt and curt management style.

A fiscal conservative, he is credited with instituting policies that paigned against him in the 1980 have made New Hampshire's econ-New Hampshire Republican Senomy one of the nation's strongest.

The state unemployment level runs consistently several points below the national average. Mr. Sununu has taken credit for eliminating a \$44 million deficit that he inherited when he took office in

clude some assertive people, such He served as a national co-chairman of the Bush campaign and apparent choice for budget direchelped the vice president win the New Hampshire primary after a severe defeat in the Iowa caucuses. Chiefs of staff are dependent on

the work habits and style of the chief executive they serve. The job involves brokering the demands of those vying for the president's approval and attention, such as cabinet members, and ensuring that po-licy is conceived in an orderly way and effectively presented to Con-

gress and the public. Some Bush aides regard Mr. Sununu as a risky choice. These

aides said the key question is whether Mr. Sununu can impose discipline on Mr. Bush, who is expected to be a more activist president than Ronald Reagan and who has depended on sides to keep him

focused on his principal objectives. Bush aides also are uncertain about Mr. Sununu's ability to deleand a penchant for taking contro- gate authority and to blend in with competing forces within the Bush administration.

Mr. Sununu has little Washington experience. That fact, along gressive nature, has caused some Bush aides to wonder whether he can work well with Congress and others in the administration.

"He's impatient, like most very bright people," said Senator War-ren B. Rudman, a New Hampshire Republican, who said he developed a friendship with and deep respect for Mr. Sununu when he camate primary. Mr. Sununu finished second to Mr. Rudman in that race. then served as chairman of Mr. Rudman's successful general elec-

tion campaign that year. "I think anybody who gets to know John well is attracted by his competence, his no-nonsense approach to things and that he works enormously hard," Mr. Rudman

Sources said Mr. Bush was attracted to Mr. Sununu in part because, as an elected official, he has enough stature to deal with leading politicians.

Paul McEachern, a Democrat who lost to Mr. Sununu in the 1986 governor's race, said Mr. Sununu "knows how to push the bureaucra-

Mr. Sununu "intimidates people ho work in the bureaucracy," Mr. McEachern added. "That's an ad-

His biggest drawback, Mr. McEachern said, is his attitude "that he doesn't need help to find answers, that he'll find it in three

minutes and then stick with it." Mr. Summu's expected appointment has provoked private concern among national Jewish leaders, according to people familiar with

their views. This concern largely stems from Mr. Sununu's unwillingness to sign a condemnation of a 1975 UN resolution defining Zionism as "a form of racism and racial discrimination." The measure was denounced by Israel, American Jewish leaders and U.S. officials as an attempt to foster anti-Semitism.

Mr. Sununu, whose father is Lebanese, has been active in the National Association of Arab Americans and received a \$1,000 honorarium for speaking to the group in 1986, according to Rebecca Nahas, an association spokeswoman.

David Carney, a Sununu aide, said the governor's refusal to sign the proclamation has nothing to do with his views on the issue but stems from his belief that as governor he should not bring the state into foreign policy issues.

Born in Cuba and raised in New York City, Mr. Sununu moved to New Hampshire from Massachusetts in 1969. He taught mechanical engineering at Tufts University outside Boston and ran small consulting businesses before he was elected to a two-year term as governor in 1982.

He won re-election in 1984 and 1986 but did not seek a fourth term this year.

Mr. Sununu, who lives in Salem with his wife and eight children, cited concerns for his family's financial well-being as a factor in his

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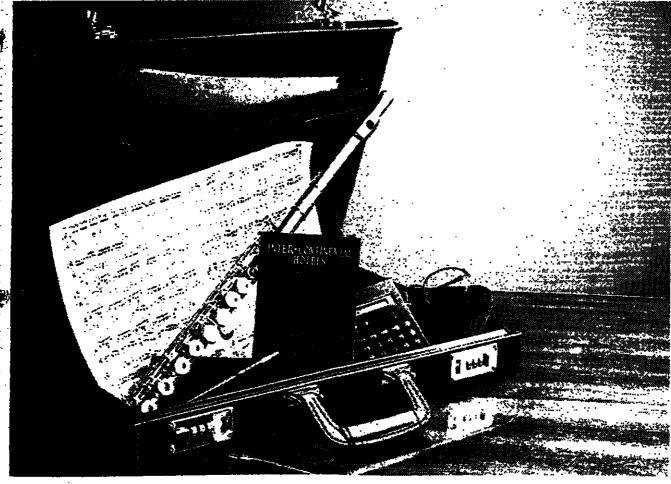
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Competition is strong for the post of U.S. ambassador to Japan, The New York Times reports. Ambassador Mike Mans-field, 85, a former Democratic senator from Montana, has announced his retirement after serving 11 years in Tokyo.

A State Department official said the contenders were Michael H. Armacost, under secretary of state for political affairs; Gaston Sigur, assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific affairs; Lamar Alexander, the former governor of Tennessee who brought several Japanese manufacturers into his state, and Donald P. Gregg, a former Central Intelligence Agency officer who has been Vice President George Bush's national security adviser.

U.S. Museum Sends Lintel Back to Thais

Thais have been flocking to the national museum in Bangkok to look at a priceless stone carving that has been flown back to Thailand after disappearing from a remote temple site in 1965, Mi-chael Richardson of the International Herald Tribune reports.

The return of the 11th-century sculpture, which weighs about 430 kilograms (950 pounds) followed a long dispute between Thailand and the Art Institute of Chicago over ownership. Thailand said the lintel was stolen in the 1960s. The institute said it had acquired the lintel in good faith. The issue was finally resolved after the Elizabeth F. Chency Foundation in the United States offered to donate a comparable art work from Thailand to the insti-

The piece, depicting the Hindu god Vishnu, came from Phnom Rung temple in northeastern Thailand. Thai officials said it would be put back above a doorway in the restored temple on

Around Asia

Hanoi University.

In another sign of gradual liber-alization, Vietnam has held its first beauty contest since the Communist takeover in 1975. The event was held last week in Hanoi. The state radio said contestants paraded in summer dresses, including the long national dress, or ao dai, and then in swimsuits. "Apart from their gracefulness and charm," the Vietnam News Agency said, "the contestants were also required to answer questions about the Communist Youth Union and society." First prize, a tiara and 280,000 dong. about \$70 at the black market rate, went to Bui Bich Mai, 17, a first-year student of English at

ture wants Japan, the world's largest market for tropical hardwood, to switch to nonwood products or to more costly but plentiful wood from North America and the Soviet Union. Members of the fund say Japan's de-mand for hardwood is mainly responsible for the depletion of tropical forests in Southeast Asia. A fund delegation is in Japan for a meeting of the International Tropical Timber Organization, a group of 42 producing and con-suming countries.

Mohandas K. Gandhi bas been reinstated as a lawyer by the Inner Temple, one of the four Inns of Court with the right to call law-yers to the English bar. Gandhi, assassinated by a Hindu extremist in 1948, started his legal career at the Inner Temple 100 years ago. He was disbarred in 1922 for his activities in behalf of independence for India.

A Hong Kong judge has abandoned a trial after admitting reading a book during seven days of legal argument. Court officials said Judge Patrick O'Dea, 47, a New Zealander, discharged himself from hearing a robbery case after both prosecution and de-fense complained that he had been reading a book. The case will be retried by another judge. Law-yers said the aborted trial had cost about 88,000 Hong Kong dollars (about \$11,300). The Hong Kong Judiciary stated that



IN THE LAND OF OZ — Prime Minister Li Peng of China, at right, tries out a broad-brimmed Aussie hat during a visit to the iron ore mining area near Perth. At left is a member of the aboriginal community. Mr. Li is on a seven-day official visit.

was a law book.

Deng Xiaoping, China's paramount leader, is "very healthy" at 84, his daughter, Deng Nan, was quoted in two Hong Kong newspapers as saying. But she said she wished he would quit smoking. She said he no lower emoker. She said he no longer smokes in public, and conceded that "it may be very difficult for him to quit an old habit" entirely.

sident Corazon C. Aquino of the Philippines joined outraged compatriots in protest when rumors spread that the Oxford University Press defined Filipina, the

in any case the book in question | word for a female citizen of the Philippines, as "domestic help." The Manila Standard said that perhaps "Brit" should be defined as "a rowdy soccer fan." A spokeswoman for the Oxford press said, however, that all Oxford dictionaries had been checked and no such definition existed. "And we've got 300 dictionaries — it's quite a task, be-lieve me," she added. The Shorter

Oxford English Dictionary says:

"Filipino, also Filipina: a native or inhabitant of the Philippine Islands, especially one of Spanish or mixed blood."

Arthur Higbee

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Pakistan Seeks Wide Support For Guerrilla Plan in Kabul

Moscow and Islamabad are con-

chaos and civil war follow the Sovi-

its 3.3 million Afghan refugees.
The new Soviet ambassador to

Afghanistan, Yuli M. Vorontsov, is

thought to be seeking bold ways to

The dramatic departure from

Western diplomats said the offi-

cial Interior Minister Said Mo-

Moscow as Kabul's new envoy

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faction of the country's Commu-

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vant a harder line.

Kabul recently of a leader of one of

two squabbling Communist factions was viewed as an indication

of Mr. Vorontsov's assertiveness,

create a political solution.

Pakistan would like to send back

By Barbara Crossette

New York Times Service
ISLAMABAD, Pakistan -Sensing that the Soviet Union is grasping for ways to create a government in Kabul that might be acceptable to Afghanistan's exiled king and its gnerrilla armies, Pakistan is seeking international sup-port for a new political proposal by the Pakistan-based guerrillas.

Pakistanis say they believe that they and the Soviet Union have a common interest in settling the Afghan war, and that Islamabad's policy of supporting the guertillas while seeking to establish an acceptable government in Kabul will not change with the Pakistani elections this week.

Embassies are being briefed on a plan devised in late October by the seven-member guerrilla alliance.
The proposal calls for the con-

vening of a 450-member council before the end of January. Democratic Party of Afghanistan. The Khalqis, who are strong in the military and the Afghan intelli-The council would represent all factions and districts in Afghanistan. It would name an interim gence service, are militants who head of government and draft a

Under the Geneva accords for ending the Afghan war, the Soviet Union agreed to withdraw all its troops from the country by Feb. 15.

violating the agreements, and sug-

They were opposed by President Najib, a member of the Parchami Communist faction. In August and September, Mr. Gulabzoi made trips to Moscow But Moscow recently suspended the pullout, accusing Pakistan of that the guerrillas saw as attempts

to undermine Mr. Najib. But his sudden departure is not egarded as a show of support for Mr. Najib, who has been criticized by the Soviet Union and by his own prime minister, Mohammed Has-

Moscow has been promoting Mr. Sharq, who belongs to neither Communist faction, as a potential leader of a broad-based govern-

irrelevant because, they say, he is an agent of the Soviet secret police. Pakistan, which has supported the guerrillas since Soviet troops on the guerrillas.

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gested that it might extend its pull-out beyond the February deadline. the view that Moscow will realize that Mr. Sharq is unacceptable not cerned about the consequences for only to the guerrillas but also to the Afghanistan and its neighbors if exiled Afghan king. Mohammed

The guerrillas' political plan involves the convening of an assembly which would consist of representatives from districts in Afghanistan, Afghan refugees and exiles, members of the Kabul regime, and of the Pakistan-based guerrilla alliance, the Islamic Unity of Mujahidin of Afghanistan.

In a report Tuesday night on the fighting, the official Afghan radio said Kabul's forces had retaken a strategic post on the border that : controls access to the Khyber Pass, nmed Gulabzoi, was sent to and there were reports from guer-oscow as Kabul's new envoy rillas flecing the fighting that chemical weapons had been used. The Associated Press, quoting Afghans in Peshawar, reported that guerrillas and civilians fleeing the fighting were arriving in Pakistan suffering from burns and vomiting blood.

■ Afghan Rockets Kill 10

Afghan rockets hit a Pakistani border village Wednesday, killing 10 persons and wounding 15, Reuters reported government officials in Peshawar as saying.

The officials said the rockets were fired from Afghanistan and landed in Laday Kaga, in a tribally area bordering the eastern Afghan

province of Kunar. Meanwhile, a guerrilla spokes-man in Islamabad said guerrillas

had withdrawn from the Salang Highway, the main route from Kabul to the Soviet Union, after cutting it for a week. The plan was to block it for a

week, not permanently," an official of the Jamiat-i Islami party said. The Afghan government said it had reopened the road between Kabul and the eastern city of Jala-

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GLOBAL CONDEMNATION OF KHOMEINI REGIME

More than 1,800 Ministers, Deputy Ministers, Party Leaders, Chairmen of Parliamentary Groups, Parliamentarians and Union Leaders from around the world condemned the new wave of mass executions in Iran. Citing the telegram of MR. MASSOUD RAJAVI. Leader of the Iranian Resistance, to the UN Secretary General, they addressed telegrams and letters to Mr. Javier Perez de Cuellar, urging the dispatch of a delegation to Iranian prisons and torture chambers to investigate the violation of human rights.

Citing their letter, the US House of Representatives designated 20th, June 1989, as a "National Day of Remembrance for Political Prisoners in Iran."

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Congressmen Mervyn Dymally (D., CA) and Donald Lukens (R., OH), mambers of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, co-sponsored the letter to the UN Secretary General. The letter was endorsed by 168 other members of the House, a partial list of whom ap-

the House, a partial list of whom appears below:

ACKERMAN, Gary, (Democratic Party), Committee on Foreign Affairs;

COELHO, Tony, (D), Majority Whip;

CROCKETT Jr., George (D), Chrmn.,

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The dramatic increase in mass executions of political prisoners and public hangings of innocent people in Iran, as reported by the international press as well as the People's Mojahhedin of Iran, has shocked the world.

As the Leader of the Iranian Resistance, MR. MASSOUD RAJAVI, pointed out in his telegram to you, the Khomeini regime has executed or publicly hanged hundreds of innocentand arrested more than 10,000 people on political charges in various Iranian cities in the past month. In some cases, the government has published pictures of these public hangings in the state-run newspapers to intimidate the populace.

Whereas all U.N. member-states have a responsibility to fulfill the obligations they have undertaken under the various international instruments in the field of human rights and fundamental from fundamental freedoms:

Whereas the Khomeini regime has so extensively violated the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenants on Human Whereas the U.N. General Assembly for the past three years and the U.N. Human Rights Commission for the pst seven years have condemned the flagrant violation of human rights by

the Khomeini regime Whereas the Chief Justice of the Iranian Government officially called on 5th August, 1988, for summary executions of political prisoners, and his call was followed by similar pronouncements by other Iranian officials;

Whereas there have been 70,000 executions by the Khomeini regime since 1981 and the present wave of savagery and murder has put the lives of 140,000 political prisoners in Iran in serious and imminent danger;

We urge you to immediately do everything possible to halt the continuing arrests and executions, to send a mission to iranian prisons and torture chambers to investigate these reports of flagrant violations of human rights and to publish the findings for the international community. Your prompt response to this crisis will also deny that regime the opportunity to abuse the public focus on the reconstitute. focus on the peace talks.

GREAT BRITAIN

198 British parliamentarians and Trade Union Leaders sent similar telegrams to the UN Secretary General, con-demning the recent mass executions in

rights in Iran. A partial list of whom appears below:

ALTON, David, MP, (Democrats); AVE-BURY, Lord (Democrats), Chrmn., Parl. Human Rights Group; BRAINE, Rt Hon Str Bernard, MP, (C); CLARKE, Tom, MP, (LAB), Spokesman on Soc. Services; COUCHMAN, James Randall, MP, (C), PPS to the Min. of Health; ENNALS, Lord, Chrmn., United Nations Association; FOSTER, Derek, MP, (LAB), Opposition Chief Whis; JOHN-STON, Sir Russel, MP, (Democrats), Dep, Leader of Party & Spokesman on For Affrs; KAUFMAN, Rt Hon Gerald, MP, (LAB), Shadow Cabinet For. Affrs. Sec; KNOX, David, MBE, MP, (C); NEWENS, Stan, (LAB), MEP; SKINNER, Dennis, MP, (LAB), Chrmn., NEC; STEEL, Rt Hon David, MP, (Democrats, Former Leader, Liberal Party; TODD, Ron, Gen. Sec., TGWU; WALTERS, Dennis, MP, (C), Chrmn., British Soviet Parl. Group.

Iran, urging him to send a mission to investigate the violation of human rights in Iran. A partial list of whom

FRANCE

BARBIER, Bernard, Sen., (Republican Party, UREI); BEQUET, Jean-Pierre, MP, (Socialist Party, PS); BONDUEL, Stephane, Sen. (Left Radical Movement, MRG); BOUCHARDEAU, Huguette, MP. (Affiliated, PS), Ex-Min; CAU-PERT, Joseph, Sen., (UREI); CRUCIS, Michel, Sen., (UREI); DEPREZ, Leonce, MP (UDF) Vicances Scott Pares Social Pares Series Party The Vice-pres., Social Democratic Party. The fol-lowing have sent similar telegrams to the UN Secretary General: BERARD, Jacques, Sen., (RPR); DELEUS, Andre, Sen., (PS), Ex-Min; DREYFUSS-SCHMIDT, Michel, (PS), Vicepres., French Sen; MATHIEU, Serge, (UREI), Sec., French Sen; SERUSCLAT, Franck, Sen., (PS) And 18 other Parliamentarians and Dignitaries.

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LUXEMBOURG

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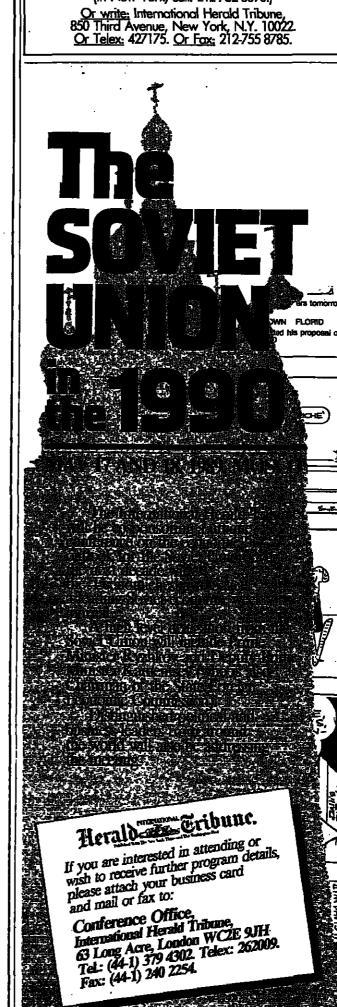
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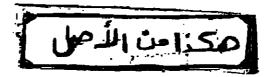
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coincidental," said Nicholas L. Johnson, a specialist on Soviet space technology on the staff of Brown Teledyne Engineering Corp.

in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

There's no doubt they took advantage of a vast amount of engineering development that went into ours," he said.

Mr. Johnson declined to comment on whether any stolen designs or equipment might have featured in the Soviet shuttle program.
"I don't think stealing was necessary," he said. "A lot of the infor-

mation was unclassified and open. if you knew where to look." One major difference between the American and Soviet shuttles lies in the booster rockets. The Soviet orbiter has no large rocket en-

gines of its own but does have small maneuvering rockets that also help in reaching orbit. Almost all the propulsion is provided by the giant Energia rocket, which can hoist at least 100,000 kilograms (220,000 pounds) into low Earth orbit. The U.S. shuttle has three main

permanent hydrogen-fueled engines. They provide the final thrust loward orbit, after two solid-fuel booster rockets are jettisoned.

The Energia rocket, which was designed to launch both shuttles and unmanned cargo craft, has four main engines fueled by liquid hydrogen and oxygen and four strap-on rockets that operate on kerosene and liquid oxygen. Only the strap-on rockets are reusable. "From a capability standpoint,

this doesn't make any real difference," Mr. Johnson said. The launching of the Soviet shuttle, named Buran, meaning snowstorm or blizzard, is the second test of an Energia rocket. When the rocket was first tested, in May 1987, its dummy payload failed to reach its planned orbit. The trouble lay in the payload's propulsion, not in the Energia.

It was once thought that the Rus-

American craft returned to service. But Discovery flew in late September in the first American shuttle mission since the Challenger accident in January 1986, which killed all seven astronauts aboard.

Problems with the automated landing system may have been one reason the Soviet shuttle was not tested sooner, some American experts said.

■ U.S. Schedules Launching U.S. space officials on Wednesday set Dec. 1 as the date for launching the Atlantis shuttle and five military astronauts on a secret Defense Department mission, The Associated Press reported from Cape Canaveral in Florida.



A SHOW OF FORCE IN CHINA — Chinese students examining a missile during an exhibition in Beijing. Arms makers displayed their latest weapons at the show, which was designed to increase the industry's exports, valued by Western analysts at about \$2 billion last year.

Gorbachev Initiates **Diplomacy Thrust**

By Philip Taubman New York Times Service MOSCOW — Mikhail S. Gorba-

chev's plan to meet next month with President Ronald Reagan and President-elect George Bush in New York appears to be part of a Kremlin effort to consolidate diplomatic gains made in the last year.

Taking advantage of a hiatus in American diplomacy during the election campaign and the final weeks of the Reagan administration, President Gorbachev has been unusually active on the international front this fall. He has met 13 foreign leaders since mid-September, and plans to see at least five or six more before the end of the year. Mr. Gorbachev said at a Com-

munist Party meeting Tuesday in

the city of Orel in central Russia that he would also visit Cuba. Prime Minister Margaret

Thatcher has said Mr. Gorbachev would visit Britain from Dec. 12 to 14. A Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman, Gennadi I. Gerasimov. said London would be the final stop before Mr. Gorbachev returned to Moscow.

"There is much work to be done and we intend to continue acting in close cooperation with socialist countries and with all peoples to put international relations on a proper footing and strengthen world security," Mr. Gorbachev said in Orel in a speech devoted primarily to domestic issues.

Mr. Gorbachev and five other Politburo members spent two days in Orel, an agricultural center, reviewing economic problems including chronic food shortages.

The Soviet leader's diplomatic offensive this fall has allowed him to get away, however briefly, from pressing domestic problems

Mr. Gorbachev will visit India later this week, and will welcome President François Mitterrand of France here in late November.

The Chinese foreign minister, Qian Quichen, is also due in Moscow before the end of the year for talks that are expected to prepare the way for a meeting next year between Mr. Gorbachev and Deng

Xiaoping, the Chinese leader. The meeting in December between Mr. Gorbachev and Mr. Reagan will be their fifth since November 1985.

■ Luncheon With the Queen Oueen Elizabeth II is expected to forced, so I am going to press the meet Mr. Gorbachev during his visit to Britain, United Press International reported from London. He would become the first Soviet leadbeen busy overhauling the consti- er to be received by the monarch in

schedule for his London visit was not yet final, but that Mr. Gorbachev and his wife, Raisa, would probably be the guests of honor at a palace lunch given by the queen.

Kenya Defender of the Law Tells of Prison Ordeal

By Blaine Harden

shington Post Service NAIROBI - Gibson Kaman Kuria has a lawyerly way of fashioning ugly events into Latinate words suitable for judges in white

powdered wigs. On the day of his release from nine months' detention without trial in a Kenyan jail, he described his humiliating treatment this way: "I was blindfolded and forced to

do exercises while naked. They were commenting adversely as to my private organs throughout my terrogation." While Mr. Kuria chooses his

words carefully, he does not mince

The lawyer, 41, whose government did not allow him to pick up the \$30,000 Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights Award at a ceremony Tuesday in Washington, says his homeland is skidding toward polit-

"The erosion of constitutional

he said. "I can see a civil war. That

It is for upholding the rule of law, while expecting to be tossed into jail for an indefinite stay, that Mr. Kuria has caught the eye of U.S. human rights and legal groups. In addition to the Robert Kennedy Memorial award. Mr. Kuria has been honored by the American Bar Association, the

Lawyers Committee for Human Rights and Human Rights Watch. All this international attention has been greeted with stony indifference by the government of Kenya. Besides refusing to give back Mr. Kuria's passport, which the police confiscated last year, immigration officials refused late last week

to give passports to his wife, Scholastica, or their three children. She had planned to travel to Washington with her children to accept the award for Mr. Kuria. But immigration officials said that since Mr. Kuria could not travel, and since his wife had said in her passport application that she want-

rights in Kenya can only go so far," ed to travel with her husband, then none of them could travel.

The human rights awards, the passport denial and Mr. Kuria's nine months of solitary confinement all stem from the lawyer's decision in February 1987 to do his At that time, Kenya was caught

up in a round of sedition trials. Amnesty International said in a report that more than 75 political opponents of the government were tortured into making false confessions. Many of them, the report said, "appear to have done no more than criticize the way the country is

Mr. Kuria was hired by three detainees who said they had been tortured, but who refused to confess to any crime. They asked him to prepare lawsuits detailing torture methods allegedly used by the police. The suits cited provisions of the Kenyan Constitution that prohibit torture, and demanded government compensation.

One client, Mirugi Kariuki, said in his affidavit that he was confined

food and drinking water for periods ranging from four to seven days. During his confinement, Mr. Kariuki stated, he had no choice but to drink "the water in his cell which was mixed with his urine and excreta.

filled with water and was denied

During his interrogation, Mr. Kariuki said, he "was savagely beaten all over his body many times by more than 11 police interrogators." According to the affidavits, beatings were administered us- warned I shouldn't talk to the press ing whips, pieces of wood, rulers and rubber straps.

Mr. Kuria went to the office of the Kenya attorney general in Nai-robi on Feb. 25, 1987, to file the suits. The next day, five plainclothes policemen from the special branch a division of the national police that deals with internal security, picked him up. His office and home were searched, and he was driven away to an undisclosed loca-

The government said later that

Before he went to the attorney general's office, Mr. Kuria told a journalist that he knew the Kenya government would not tolerate his

Preservation of Public Security

Act, which allows the indefinite de-

tention without trial of Kenyans

considered to be security risks.

iling such explosive accusations. He spoke with the journalist of the rule of law. "I have decided I am not going to compromise on the principle even if it means being detained," he said. "I have been

or anybody about these cases. He added. "I have determined that people's rights must be engovernment."

in recent years, the government of President Daniel arap Moi has tution — changing Mr. Kuria's be- more than 20 years. loved rules.

The changes include the conversion of Kenya from a multiparty democracy to a country where there can be only one legal political Mr. Kuria was being held under the party: the one headed by Mr. Moi.

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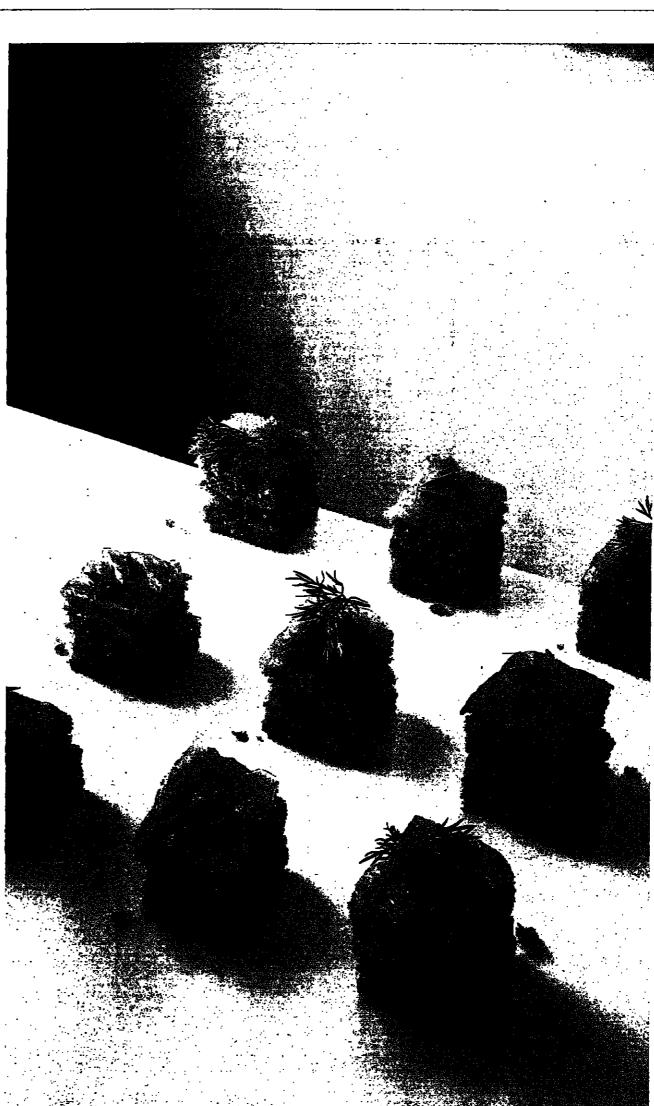
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Is Peace Closer in the Middle East? PLO Says Yes

By Youssef M. Ibrahim New York Times Service

ALGIERS - Although they were met with derision in Israel and a lack of enthusiasm in Washington, the political steps adopted by the Palestine National Council are regarded by the Palestinian leadership as a significant move away from the "rejectionist" views that have dominated the movement in

The gulf that separates perceptions among Palestinians and officials in the United States and Israel was apparent Tuesday. What was seen in those countries as an elaborate effort at avoiding a firm deci-

WASHINGTON — Apparently

signaling West Germany's readi-

ness to support modernization of some short-range nuclear weapons

in Western Europe, Chancellor Helmut Kohl has said that NATO

would be ready to adopt an updated, overall defense strategy by next

Mr. Kohl's announcement, made

at a news conference after talks with President Ronald Reagan and President along

President-elect George Bush, set the stage for one of the first major

spring or early summer.

sion to seek peace with Israel was national council said that Resolu-described by Yasser Arafat and tion 242 of 1967, and Resolution other Palestinian leaders in Algiers 338 of 1973 which calls for negotiaas a major move toward a Middle

What is indisputable is that during the four days of talks, Mr. Ara-

NEWS ANALYSIS

fat, the chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, seemed to overcome longstanding opposi-tion inside the PLO to UN Security Council Resolution 242, which implicitly affirms the right of Israel to 'secure and recognized" borders.

Mr. Kohl made the announce-

A senior West German official

ment on Tuesday during a one-day

said that Bonn would be willing to

support deploying an updated ver-

a range of 70 miles (113 kilome-

ters), and a new air-to-surface mis-sile, with a range of 200 to 300

miles, if NATO agreed to sharply

reduce or completely scrap arsenals

of even shorter-range nuclear artil-

visit to Washington.

tions, should be the basis of negotiations on any peaceful settlement.

In addition, he proclaimed that peace talks with Israel would be based on a 1947 UN resolution that partitioned Palestine herween Arabs and Jews — a resolution that was declared "null and void" by the national council in 1968.

And Mr. Arafat persuaded the council to state explicitly that it rejects terrorism in all its forms." Western diplomats point out that the document fails to state

Bonn had previously sought to

delay at least until 1991 a NATO

decision on deploying new nuclear

weapons with ranges shorter than

independent Palestinian state, presumably to be situated in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, was hardly likely to encourage Israel to respond positively. The section saying that peace talks should be based on the 1947

partition resolution failed to take account of the war of 1948, in which the Arab states failed to crush the new state of Israel.

As a result of that war, Israel's territory was significantly larger The document adopted by the explicitly that the Palestinians rec- than first allocated by the United

ize short-range nuclear weapons.

Under West German pressure,

NATO foreign ministers agreed in June 1987 to delay making any commitments on modernizing

ognize the existence of Israel, Nations. Most significant, the war led to establishing Israel's capital in Jerusalem, first just the western which Washington has insisted on before dealing with the PLO. And the declaration by Mr. Arafat of an part, and after 1967, all of it.

And the section in which the Palestinian leaders rejected terrorism nevertheless maintained Mr. Arafat's distinction that acts of violence committed in lands controlled by Israel were permissible.

If the Algiers meeting does not become a turning point toward negotiations with Israel, it has allowed Mr. Arafat, who seemed close to oblivion in 1982, to achieve new prominence in the movement.

By the time he arrived in Algiers for the meeting of the Palestine National Council — which serves the PLO as a parliament in exile -Mr. Arafat knew he had settled for Palestinians.

The most important of these is

an abandonment of the Palestinian dream of liberating all of Palestine. Several PLO leaders, such as Georges Habash, maintained as recently as Tuesday the right of all Palestinians to return to their homes even if they lie within Israel's borders. But it is an open secret that maverick groups like Mr. Ha-bash's Popular Front for the Liber-

ation of Palestine have lost much of their influence inside the PLO. Inside the Palestinian movement. Mr. Arafat's Fatah movement has re-emerged as the dominant group. It has done so by presenting a platform that dramatically departs from the militant language of extremism and unreality, in the view of experts in Algiers.

Mr. Arafat's strategy is to bring the PLO as close as possible to the American vision of peace in the Middle East. This is because of the conviction within the PLO that without American support no deal with Israel is possible.

Fatah officials say they will move to mobilize Western European and Japanese support in an attempt to sway the United States. And they say they will court Jewish groups in the United States that stand behind Israel.

American and Israeli critics of Palestinian policies insist that none of this is any good unless the PLO explicitly renounces all resistance against Israel and openly recognizes Israel's right to exist.

Does this place the Palestinians' "peace program" out of reach? Mr. Arafat does not think so.

"Our political declaration contains moderation, flexibility and realism, which the West has been urging us to show," Mr. Arafat said Tuesday. "We feel now that the ball is in the American court."



An Israeli soldier guarding three Palestinians seized in Jerusalem Wednesday for throwing a bottle.

JAPAN: Lower House Passes Tax Overhaul Measure

Bonn Softens Its Stance on Updating of Missiles

By Robert J. McCartney

Washington Post Service

NATO decisions to confront the west German position, and a Union. Moscow has strongly opsignificant shift toward the U.S. posed NATO proposals to modern-

and British stances.

(Continued from page 1) two prime ministers, including Yasuhiro Nakasone, Mr. Takeshita's predecessor, have suffered crip-pling political defeats because of their efforts. Cosmos Co., prior to its listing on

It is unclear what political impact the introduction of Mr. Take-shita's tax changes will have on the ruling party. Many analysts believe that in the near term, at least, the Liberal Democrats are likely to lose a number of seats in legislative elections because of the plan

Nonetheless, the analysts described Wednesday's vote as the high point in Mr. Takeshita's 30year political career.

This is a milestone for the prime minister and for Japan," a Liberal Democratic aide said Wednesday evening. But I must admit it wasn't aiways clear he would suc-

Opposition legislators had refused to discuss the tax package on the bills.

Tuesday night, the ruling party the new sales tax.

the ruling party consented to a full broke the deadlock by agreeing to investigation of private stock purestablish a 50-member committee chases by politicians, political aides and business executives in a fastrising real estate company, Recruit

years ago. those involved in the transactions, released late Tuesday, named al-most 160 political and business figures, twice the number previously believed to be implicated, Owners of the stock made substantial taxfree profits by selling the stock once it was listed

Liberal Democratic members of tion members. Since then the ruling party has sought compromises with

to investigate the Recruit Cosmos affair. With that agreement, the Buddhist-backed Komeito, or Clean Government Party, and the

the over-the-counter market two Democratic Socialists took part in Wednesday's vote. Just what impact the committee will have on the Recruit Cosmos scandal is uncertain. But political analysts said that the Liberal Democrais are most vulnerable, not to a Diet investigation, but to one currently being conducted by the To-

kyo public prosecutor's office. Other concessions were made with regard to the tax bills. The a Diet tax committee prompted a sales tax, the most politically sensinear-not in the legislature last week when they approved the reform package in the absence of opposition of the package, is to be only partly applied for the first six months after its introduction next April.

Some economists have questhe moderate opposition in return tioned the stimulative power of the for its participation in a house vote tax package, since reductions in direct taxation are largely offset by

300 miles. Many or most of such weapons would be placed in West short-range nuclear forces until NATO developed a "comprehen-Germany, where there is strong sive concept" for defense and arms control policy.

In practice, the West Germans public opposition to deploying new nuclear arms at a time when relations with the Soviet Union have have used the process of developing been improving, Such a NATO agreement, if

significant shift toward the U.S. posed NATO proposals to modern-

the comprehensive concept as a way to delay making a commitment adopted, would be likely to draw on modernization of short-range nuclear arms. These delaying tac-tics have irritated the United States and Britain, which have been eager for a decision as soon as possible.

Mr. Kohl said he expected that the comprehensive concept would be ready to be adopted by NATO heads of state and government at a summit meeting marking the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's 40th anniversary. The meeting is expected to be held in London in

the late spring or early summer. West German officials have said that they hoped to postpone a decision on modernization until after West German parliamentary elec-tions at the end of 1990. They have maintained that there was no hurry to make a decision, because existing short-range nuclear weapons such as the Lance will not become obsolete until the mid-1990s.

But the senior West German official, who asked not to be identified, said that the Bonn government now wanted to put any controversy over modernization behind it well before the parliamentary elections. He emphasized that any modernization decision had to be taken by the alliance as a whole, so as not to isolate West

ISRAEL: A Campaign to Counter PLO Recognition

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Both Israel and the PLO have been extending feelers to Western governments for several weeks, an official said. He said none of the Western nations were likely "candidates for recognition" of the Palestinian state, at least not "at the moment.

Nevertheless, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said Israel would engage in a "diplomatic offensive" against the PLO. Mr. Shak said Mr. Shamir "meant our representatives abroad are meeting with government and media representatives to explain and persuade them of our

position." At the same time, in the occupied Gaza Strip, Palestinians dodging military patrols violated the total curfew imposed on Gaza since Friday to celebrate the declaration of

dependence. In Gaza City, army jeeps cruised the streets in groups of 10 and 15 while soldiers using megaphones warned Palestinians to stay indoors or risk being shot. Two Palestinians have been shot and killed by troops since the army sealed the Gaza Strip last week.

At least 278 Arabs have died in the 11-month uprising. But despite the warnings, Pales-

bloc, which is wavering, and the West."

as soon as the patrols disappeared. They banged on drums, clapped, bration. When the army jeeps returned, the revelers fled.

hair Rayes, a journalist and co-author of the PLO covenant, said dependent state as the national right of the Palestinian people, and

Asad Saftawi, an educator and the leader of the PLO Fatah wing in Gaza, called the declaration "the fulfillment of the demands of the people's uprising." He also predicted that it would be the "first step in a federation with other Arab countries like Jordan and Egypt."

A leader of the Muslim fundamentalist Islamic Resistance Movement, which rejects any form of compromise with Israel cantiously endorsed the PLO decision. Declining to give his name, he said "we are pleased, but I am conservative when it comes to having the declaration connected to certain international resolutions."

■ U.S. Dubious on Vote The United States said Wednesday that the PLO resolution implicitly recognizing Israel was too am-

as soon as the patrols disappeared. to justify direct dialogue between They banged on drums, clapped, Washington and the PLO, Reuters reported from Washington. The State Department spokes-

man, Charles E. Redman, said Gaza leaders were pleased by the Wednesday that the PLO must recdeclaration of independence. Zu- ognize Israel and reject terrorism more explicitly before Washington author of the PLO covenant, said could support talks with the PLO every Palestinian supports the in-Middle East peace negotiations.

"The reference to UN resoluthis declaration will get us our tions 242 and 338 is an advance over previous efforts by the PNC." Mr. Redman said. "Nevertheless, if, is ambiguous, both in its placement in the text and its meaning. Possibly implied or indirect recognition of Israel is not sufficient. Recognition must be clear and unambigu-ous," Mr. Redman said. Asked to elaborate further on the ambiguities, Mr. Redman declined.

But he added that "there are signs that there are Palestinians who are trying to move the PLO in couraging and it should continue.

"But measured against the requirements of the negotiating process, more movement on key issues will be required," he said. "Measured against the positions the PLO must adopt in order for the United States to engage in dialogue, the results of the PNC sessions fell short of meeting those require-

NICARAGUA: Emigrants Say 'Si' to Yanqui Dollar

(Continued from page 1)

the funds and shop for the many basic goods not available here.

Mr. Carrion also acknowledged in an interview that Nicaragua is undergoing "strong emigration" to the United States because of economic hardship. Weary Nicaraguans wait in lines for exit visas. In September, when the opposition daily La Prensa printed rumors that travel of professionals would be restricted, police were called in to avert a riot in the lines.

Last January, there were 10 charter companies in Managua organizing one-way bus trips to Guatemala, the jump-off point for Nicaraguans without papers who cross Mexico and enter the United States illegally. Today, 65 compa-nies send packed buses every day. Earlier this year, bandits on a of \$600 a month. It is \$40 today.

thieves the savings they had collect-ed from selling off all they owned agement.

The employee said Mrs. Marcos

"She'll make reservations for four," he said. "Then she arrives

with an entourage of 9 or 12 and more keep coming all evening to

join the group."
Mrs. Marcos has also been seen

At their dinner parties at home,

pines or Hawaii's outer islands, ac-

They said Mrs. Marcos, 59, will

cost as much as \$900 apiece.

in Nicaragua to begin their life in the United States.

"it's costly for our country," Mr. Carrion said. "We lose skilled human capital." But he foresaw no restrictions. At least 150,000 Nicaraguans of a population of 3 million now live in the United States.

After the Sandinista-led 1979 revolution against Anastasio Somoza, the first group to go stateside was an elite that rejected the Sandinistas' Marxist bent. Later, professionals fled to preserve their earnings, or to protect their draft-age sons from conscription. About 9,000 doctors, lawyers and others, a third of the total, have left in nine years, according to the Sandinista professionals' association. The real earning power of the average pro-fessional in 1979 was the equivalent

Nicaraguan highway held up one charter bus carrying many such passengers and stole everything they had, including their clothes. The busload of naked passengers went to the offices of La Prensa to tell their story. Many lost to the tell their story lost the tell their story. Many lost to the tell their story lost the tell their story.

in September. The couple's sup-porters, who still loyally refer to the

Marcoses as "the president" and "the first lady," invited the public

to a six-hour party at the Blaisdell

some of Hawaii's top entertainers

people attended. The Marcoses looked somber even as they

One person who is paid to keep

have a large enough staff or suffi-

tor them. He relies instead on re-

ports from people who have attended their affairs.

Center in downtown Honolulu. Organizers expected about 4,000 people to attend the affair, where

IMELDIFIC: A High-Style Exile

shopping for dresses in the most appeared and expensive door expensive sections of upscale stores, such as Liberty House and Carol & Mary, where dresses can were distributed. Only about 2,000

"She always gets very special looked somber even as they treatment," said a Liberty House watched the entertainers perform

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gnesis, many of whom have flown mez 3d, the Philippines consul gen-in from Los Angeles, the Philiperal in Hawaii, said he does not

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"My main concerns are the state are of Ferdinand's health and with the accompaniment of a professional possibility of them trying to return."

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gram slashed the buying power of a wage-carning Nicaraguan by 84 percent. Now a government em-

ployee's monthly salary is estimated to provide only enough for a family of four to eat for one week. The poor "are once again far ... the type of economic mirry they knew under the Somoza dictator-ship," a pro-government research organization, the Central American Historical Institute, wrote in its

ESTONIA:

'Sovereignty' $\it V$ ote

(Continued from page 1) garde, constantly testing the limits of Mr. Gorbachev's desire to revise the national economic and political system. Political activity rose sharply with the publication last month of a series of draft changes in the Soviet constitution.

Estonians say they fear that a proposed new Congress of People's Deputies will be able to exercise greater control over the republics. They also object to election laws limiting the right of members of republican organizations, such as the Popular Front, to run in nation-

Members of both the Popular Front and the Estonian party leadership say the changes will block Estonia's attempt to control its own economic and cultural destiny.

Popular Front spokesmen said they had collected 861,000 signatures of Estonians demanding that the changes be redrafted. Mr. Ches brikov was reported to have called the petition campaign "illegal" and

The declaration demanded that any future changes in the Soviet constitution be approved by the 15 republics before consideration in Moscow.

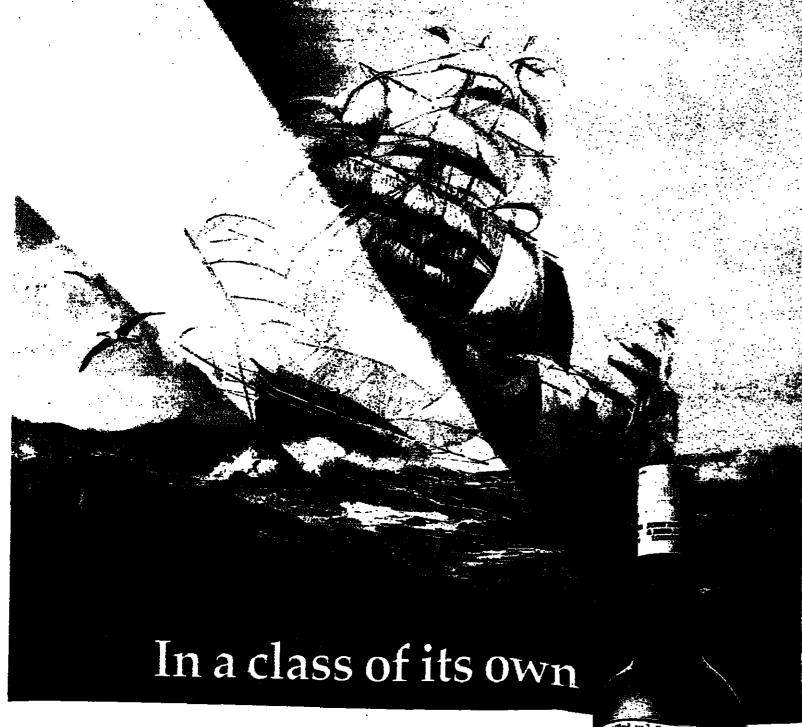
ture is nearly one third Russian, all the votes on Wednesday were either unanimous or nearly so.

■ 200,000 Rally in Armenia About 200,000 people railied late Wednesday in the Armenian capital, Yerevan, to express support for a one-day strike planned for Priday in sympathy with Armenians in Nagorno-Karabakh, the Armenian enclave in the neighboring Azerbaijan Republic, Agence France-Presse reported from Moscow.

accompaniment of a professional planist.

One person said Mr. Marcos would occasionally join in but that "the usually got used before the end of the some."

One person said Mr. Marcos said. "Every so often there is a rumor that he's going to try to return." The strike is to be a "warning" to draw the authorities' attention to the need to satisfy Armenians' de-"We never take them for grant-ed," he added. "We never underesmands in Nagorno-Karabakh, one



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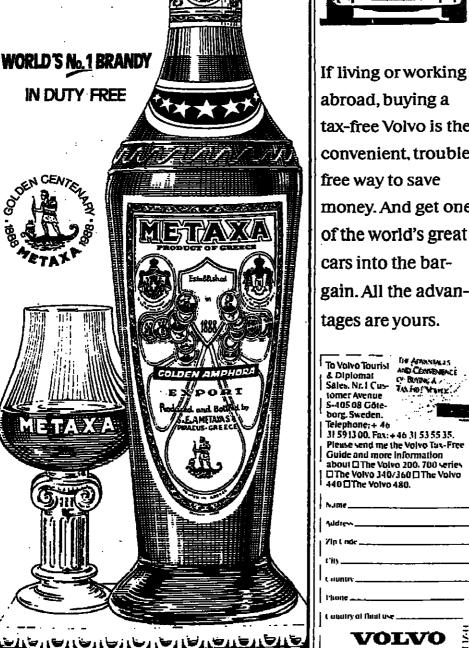
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Some Policies to Aid Bush Campaign Other potentially unpopular WASHINGTON - White moves made after the Nov. 8 election were a program to randomly test 4 million transportation workers for drug abuse, rules permitting

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rier bills," a spokesman for the International nantly on the postal system. At one stage, Chamber of Commerce in Paris said. "It's more than three million letters and packages the same in any organization where moving were piled up inside Lille's strikebound postpaper around is absolutely essential to its al sorting center.

French Mail Strike Can Generate Havoc or a Boon

The disruption in the postal service forms part of a wave of strikes and work slow-In the Lille-Roubaix-Tourcoing triangle in northern France, the strikes have had a pardowns by public sector employees hoping to squeeze pay concessions out of the Socialist ticularly damaging effect on the economy, according to the local chamber of commerce government elected earlier this year. For its and industry. The three communities on the part, the government appears reluctant to grant concessions to one group that might border with Belgium are the home of some of then be claimed by all. Europe's largest mail order companies. When they have not been on strike themwhich have grown alongside the regional

selves, letter carriers in the Paris area have been going on their appointed courses as usual, but with half-empty sacks. According to the government, more than 100 million Dominique Louvet, a spokesman for the pieces of mail are piled up in sorting offices, which have been paralyzed by a strike of the drivers responsible for trucking the mail sacks from one depot to another.

Although militants belonging to the Com-After seeing their business evaporate dur-ing nationwide mail strikes in 1974 and again munist-led General Confederation of Labor are still holding out in some sorting centers, in 1983, the big mail order houses in the Lille the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunicaarea - such as La Redoute, 3 Suisses, tions said the situation was slowly returning Blanche Porte, Damart and Quelle - took a to normal.

The mail in Paris is still arriving in a dribble, however. Parisians joke bitterly that the unions appear to have devised a fiendish system to deliver bills but not checks. The ministry said it would take several

weeks to overcome the results of the disruption. Postal workers will be dealing not only with the backlog but also with the seasonal

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boosted the fortunes of courier services, private mailing companies and merchants selfing facsimile machines. Jean-Pierre Potel, general manager of TNT Mailfast, the biggest private remailing company, said it was handling between four and five tons of mail a day, up 30 percent in less than a month.

Mr. Potel said the disruption had helped make TNT Mailfast widely known and accepted, even though it has operated in France only since July of last year.

The private mailing companies offer a cheaper although not necessarily faster service, known as remailing, by negotiating quantity discounts with cooperative postal authorities, including those in the Netherlands, Belgium and Denmark. The mail is shipped in bulk out of the country and posted elsewhere. The main drawback is that mail originating in France cannot legally be sent back to French addresses from another

To get urgent business correspondence from one side of Paris to another, chambers of commerce in the capital and surrounding areas have set up their own sorting offices to bypass the strikebound centers. The sorted mail is handed to the post office for delivery by nonstriking letter carriers.

According to a spokesman for the International Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Paris, its emergency sorting center is handling more than 100,000 letters and small

Italy Awaits a Verdict in 1980 Airliner Disaster

By Joseph Fitchett wonel Herald Tribune PARIS — Flying through clear skies, a DC-9 airliner on a domestic flight in Italy crashed under myste-

ssengers and crew, all Italians. Eight years later, after lobbying by the victims' relatives, the gov-ernment has ordered a new inquiry

into the disaster, amid speculation that it was shot down by a missile fired by a Libyan or Western possibly Italian - aircraft. The press has accused the Italian military of a cover-up. Finally, the government has

rious circumstances in June 1980 as

it approached Sicily, killing the 81

PARIS - It was a big occasion for MG

Enterprises, a small software company near

Paris that was launching an innovative sys-

tem to put microcomputers in the hands of

The company rented space in the fashion

museum at Covent Garden in London to

launch the product - a project that repre-

sented more than 10 man-years of work -

but was disappointed when none of the

French specialist journalists it had invited

It turned out that none of the 20 journal-

ists had received invitations that had been

mailed out weeks before. MG Enterprises

was one of the countless business, small and

large, that have been hit by a wave of strikes

"What happened to us was indicative of

what happens when a small company finds a

lot of effort wasted by something completely outside its control," said Fawzan Mudarres.

Although there are no official estimates of

how much the strikes have cost in terms of

lost business, the Paris Chamber of Com-

merce says the disruption and uncertainty

have created major difficulties for small businesses with tight cash flows. Large insti-

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Several previous inquiries have

vielded unsatisfactory conclusions, including a government finding two years ago, without elaboration, that the crash was caused by an

Wreckage from the plane was on the jet.

recovered from the seabed in June and sent to Britain to be analyzed at the Royal Artillery Research Development Establishment, whose findings will be submitted to a panel of Italian investigators. The panel is scheduled to report to the

The Italian news media have said

Some Italian politicians have suggested that the Libyan pilot might have mistaken the DC-9 for a cargo plane that the Libyans believed was smuggling arms across the Mediterranean to plotters seek-ing to overthrow Colonel Moammar Gadhafi, the Libyan leader. Colonel Gadhafi was quoted as

With such big international and financial interests at stake, it's taken us these years to get the investigation we were asking for.'

Romeo Ferruci, attorney for relatives.

textile industry and the development of high-speed road and rail communications.

chember of commerce, said it was too early

to calculate losses. He added that several of

the mail order houses that rely on catalogue sales for the bulk of their business have had

variety of steps to make themselves less de-

pendent on the postal system, for example by

establishing their own delivery networks and

opening stores in major cities. They are also

able to take many of their orders by Minitel.

But catalogue shoppers in rural areas, an important source of business for the mail

order companies, still tend to rely predomi-

the French teletext system, or by phone.

to lay off workers.

that the British experts have concluded that the explosion occurred outside the plane and was probably

caused by a missile. "I personally believe that Libya was involved," Mr. Ferruci said.

Three weeks after the DC-9 crashed, the wreckage of a Libyan MiG fighter was found on a mountain in southern Italy. Mr. Ferruci contended that the MiG's disappearance coincided with the attack

was an American missile and not a Libyan missile" that brought down At the time of the crash, terror-

ists killed several Libyan emigres in Italy after Colonel Gadhafi threatened to punish dissidents who refused to return to Libya. Italy's efforts to quell terrorism were led by Francesco Cossiga, who was me minister at the time.

Mr. Cossiga, who is now presi-dent, reportedly intervened personally this summer to ensure that the DC-9 wreckage was sent to Britain for an independent examination.

telling Italian reporters on Monday

in Tripoli that "everyone knows i

White House Acknowledges Delaying The United States and France both of which have fighters operating in the region, denied that their

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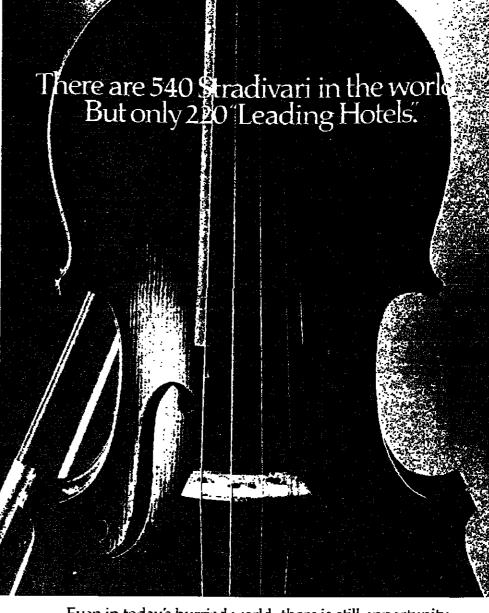
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Mr. Ferucci dismissed this thea training exercise strayed off ory, saying. "They forced the com-course, mistook the airliner for a pany to disappear. We're sure it was a missile.

Signs of high-level interference Mr. Zanone, replying to charges made by RAI-1, a state-owned telein the case, he said, included the disappearance of radar records. vision network, said that only two Italian military aircraft were oper-

Some politicians have joined Mr. Ferucci in charging a cover-up. Giuliano Amato, the Treasury min-ister, told an Italian magazine that ating in the area and that neither Fragments of a radio-guided tar-"from what I know of the military get were found near the airliner authorities' relations with politiwreckage, but Italian military officians, it is possible that they covcers said they were debris from exered up something. Mr. Ferruci said his clients, in

Questioned in Parliament, Mr. addition to learning how their rela- Zanone complained that the retives died, stand to collect substan- ports had created "feelings of maltial damages if responsibility for aise" in the Italian military. Rejecting cover-up charges, he said that The insurance so far was what Defense Ministry officials and milyou would pay for killing a chicken, itary officers were cooperating with not a person," Mr. Ferucci said. He the inquiry.



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More PLO Ambiguity

The Palestine Liberation Organization meeting in Algiers proclaimed the independence of an unborn state and hinted at farreaching moves toward a Middle East peace. But its final communique amounted to the same old fudge that Yasser Arafat has offered up for years — no explicit recognition of the Jewish state of Israel and no outright rejection of violence. The only new and mildly positive element is that the PLO's National Council has now endorsed the chairman's ambiguous language rather than the earlier die-hard line.

Mr. Arafat's aim seemingly was to appear conciliatory and thereby persuade President-elect George Bush to start ap-plying pressure on Israel. But what the PLO's governing council delivered offers scant ground for new hope.

The council's text speaks approvingly of Security Council resolutions 242 and 338, thereby implying recognition of Israel. But in the familiar Arafat formula, the passage goes on to endorse all other United Nations resolutions "relevant to the Palestinian question." These other resolutions cast doubt on Israel's legitimacy. And when questioned about the statement, Mr. Arafat declined to say that the PLO was finally ready to accept the existence of Israel. Similarly disappointing is the PLO's statement on terrorism. The communique rejects

then "affirms the right of peoples to resist foreign occupation and colonialism and ra-cial discrimination and their right to struggle for independence." This is the old Arafat hedge: condemning violence outside Israel and the occupied territories, but endorsing the "armed struggle" within Israel. Thus Palestinian extremists retain a license to kill.

The fine print plays directly into the hands of the Likud bloc and its leader, Yitzhak Shamir, who totally opposes any settlement based on trading land for peace. Certainly the Algiers text will do little to strengthen the hand of Israelis who search for a basis of negotiations. Nor do these Israelis gain by Mr. Arafar's approval of an ill-defined international peace conference.

The Palestinian uprising in the West Bank and Gaza Strip now runs into its 11th month, with no end in sight despite a tragic toll. Weren't these Palestinians also clamoring for a new approach and abandonment

of the rejectionist formulas?

Despite their cries, despite the isolation of Syrian-backed extremists and support by Jordan and Egypt, Mr. Arafat and the PLO balked at crossing the necessary threshold. The Algiers meeting, regretta-bly, becomes another wasted opportunity in a frustrating quest for peace.

— THE NEW YORK TIMES.

A Classic Russian Duet

The unlikely partnership of Mikhail Gorbachev and Andrei Sakharov has been an international fascination. Mr. Sakharov was cruelly exiled for using the platform of his eminence as a scientist and dissident to criti-cize arbitrary Communist rule. Mr. Gorbachev personally summoned him back to Moscow not merely out of respect for a brave man but to court the Soviet intellectual class, whose brains, energies and commitment he needs if his reform program is to have a chance. Since then Mr. Sakharov has alter-nately lobbied for perestroika and lashed the Soviet leadership for its failings on human rights and in other sensitive policy areas.

Mr. Gorbachev has accepted this independent approach, although harvesting the overall support requires him also to tolerate sharp criticism — for, for instance, legalizing greater police authority and for further centralizing political power. This is a very Russian relationship, a

form of continuous bargaining that starts his own hopes for the regeneration of his with a connection much like that between a country likely to be achieved. czar and one of his subjects and finally calls

upon a strain of deep common patriotism. Mr. Gorbachev personally freed Mr. Sakharov, in a country where a victimized citizen's recourse to law for his liberty is just about zero. But Mr. Sakharov is in a sense now freeing Mr. Gorbachev - giving him the moral authority he needs to govern in a country where those who take political power are not accustomed to offering moral justification for their use or abuse of it.

Mr. Sakharov could again and easily be silenced, or worse. Such is the commitment Mr. Gorbachev has made to him, however, and his degree of dependence upon him, that he could not abandon him without shredding his political credibility.

Nor can Mr. Sakharov any more easily abandon Mr. Gorbachev. The scientist has demonstrated that he cannot be bought for personal privileges or even for his life. But he also knows that, at this point, only through the success of Mr. Gorbachev are

country likely to be achieved. - THE WASHINGTON POST.

Tokyo Loses Its Senator

have slowed down, Mike Mansfield is just retiring as ambassador to Japan. At age 85, he has been in Tokyo 11 years. Before that he served 34 years in Congress (a record 16 as Senate majority leader), taught Far Eastern history at the University of Montana and went to China as a 19-year-old marine. Senator Mansfield, as we still think of him, has had one of the exemplary Washington careers. It is not simply that it went on so long and at such heights. Mike Mansfield entered public service, stayed engaged and did so without being spoiled. He stayed himself.

A liberal before the term came with an asterisk of apology, he succeeded Lyndon Johnson as Senate leader in 1961. Hubert Humphrey, who knew something of LBI's ways, found Mr. Mansfield "effective without being oppressive ... a quite contemplative leader, never forcing his own deeply held convictions on others." Civil rights and poverty legislation and (a special interest) the vote for 18-year-olds came out of the Senate in his time. As a diplomat, he remained a man of Congress, advising his Japanese callers that the legislators pictured on his wall were the real authority in Washington.

"You'll find in every man from Montana

Mike Mansfield, who denied the very thought of it. The Mansfield President Johnson was nicking had become an implacable foe of the Vietnam War (and of the presidential powers used to conduct it) and was later to support unilateral cuts in American troops in Europe and South Ko-rea. His identification with a diminished U.S. world role subsequently led some to wonder whether he was the right person for Jimmy Carter to send as his envoy to Tokyo. Ronald Reagan kept him there. As earnestly as he preached the free trade

a little bit of Burton K. Wheeler," the pre-

World War II isolationist, LBJ once said of

gospel on both shores of the Pacific, Ambassador Mansfield never fully stilled the complaints of bruised American business and labor interests that he was overly protective of Japan. But the bipartisan American policy he spoke for did much to contain the tensions inevitably generated by the world's two most competitive economies. The policy also helped draw Japan more deeply into the responsibilities of the global democratic community. All this reflects Mike Mansfield's contribution to the best sort of internationalism. He has earned a rest.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Comment

PLO: A Step, but Not Enough

Israel, at this time of inner turmoil, is poorly placed to face the challenge of a Palestine Liberation Organization whose chairman has at last led his colleagues to accept UN resolution 242, which implicitly acknowledges the existence of Israel. This is a singularly positive move on Yasser Arafat's part. He believes that it will help him regain the initiative internationally and among the

Palestinians in the occupied territories. He appears to believe that it will force Israel into an international conference, He may be wrong there. Israel, under its emerging coalition, is unlikely to possess the desire or the ability to countenance any agreement involving either the PLO or an exchange of land for peace.

Opinion polls indicate that most Israelis would be prepared to accommodate a Palestinian homeland if they could be guaranteed a lasting peace. But there is absolutely no guarantee of that while the PLO refrains from explicitly renouncing and actually abandoning the use of force against Israel. Israelis cannot afford to, and understandably will not, condone terrorism. One way or another, the Jewish state's

future is as uncertain as ever. — The Age (Melbourne).

There is reason to give a limited but real

welcome to the historic decision by the Palestine National Council to endorse UN Security Council resolution 242.

Yitzhak Shamir deserves some understanding when he argues that the PLO's deep-seated objective remains the abolition of the Jewish state. The country is increasingly isolated internationally and under renewed pressure from the Arab world. On the Palestinian side, the reality is that any prospect of the disappearance of Israel is illu Between these extremes lies the possibility of some form of autonomy for the occupied territories, leading in the longer term to statehood. One of the most uncompromising Zionists in Israel's postwar history, Menachem Begin, had the imagination to seize the opportunity for peace offered by adat's visit to Jerusalem. The Palestine National Council's decision is of a very different order; but it deserves at least a

proportionate acknowledgment from Israel. - The Daily Telegraph (London). Thailand should quickly announce its recognition of the new Palestinian state. With wide recognition, the Palestinian state will come under strong moral pressure to show its willingness and readiness to abide by the international code of conduct. Israel will . then have no reasons to shun direct negotia-

tions with Palestinian leaders. - The Nation (Bangkok).

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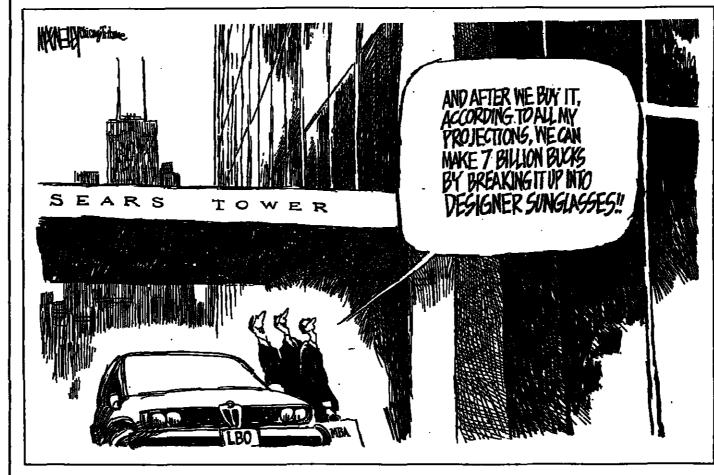
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OPINION



Germany: A Nation of Two States in Slow Motion

E RLANGEN, West Germany — Mikhail Gorbachev and his advisers have given only the barest outline of what they mean by two terms they have coined: "a European house," supposedly shared by Europeans of East and West, and "new thinking." What is clear is that Mr. Gorbachev has moved beyond the Soviet concept of the existence of two distinct nations in the part of Europe once called Germany. Similarly, the Soviets no longer claim that the German question was disposed of for all time by agreements that Moscow and Bonn concluded from 1970 to 1972.

The Soviets now seem to say, with Heraclitus, that 'all is flux" and that history alone will show what the next 100 years will bring. This is evidence, if nothing else, that a process of reflection has started. "New thinking," it would seem, starts with the premise that there can no longer be talk of two German nations, one socialist and one capitalist.

The reality is that there are two states and the nation is divided. Continued European integration, and the U.S. presence and security guarantee to Western Europe, are part of this reality.

If "new trimking" has led the Soviets to abandon untenable positions in Afghanistan and on INF verification, and to adopt more pragmatic attitudes toward Israel and South Africa, it is hard to imagine that this new realism will not affect Soviet policy on

the German question, which is central to Europe. History and geography make it impossible for a Soviet leader to ignore Germany. Ever since Peter the Great, Catherine I and Alexander I, Germany has been crucial to the projection of Russian power into the heart of Europe, and to the empire's security and self-esteem. The peace of Brest Litovsk, imposed on the Soviets by Germany in 1918, and the alliance of Rapallo, concluded by the two outcasts in 1922, opened up new chapters
— but used the old grammar. Both states stood

By Michael Stürmer

against the West, and never more firmly than during the unholy alliance of 1939-1941,

aring the unnory attrance of 1939-1941,
At the end of World War II, Stalin regarded a united Germany as a prerequisite for gaining control of all Europe. After 1945, the eastern half of Germany was his instrument for keeping together the western provinces of the Soviet empire. When Western Europe found unity under the roof of the Pax Americana, he tried in crisis after crisis to blackmail the Europeans and use them as hostages in his conflict with the United States. During the Berlin crises of 1948-1961, the Soviets went to the

brink of nuclear war in pursuit of this policy.

Today the most important question in world politics is this: Is it the Krembn's aim to make Western Europe its zone of influence through denudearization and by ousting the Americans? Or does Moscow seek long-term stability and tranquillity in

which to proceed with perestroika?

Except for America, no country weighs more heavily on Soviet decision-making than Germany.

Bilateral relations between the Soviet Union and the Federal Republic are determined first by the state of Soviet-U.S. relations, and next by the way the Soviet Union defines its basic interests, and this definition has been obscured rather than clarified by the metaphor of a "European house."

And they are determined, finally, by the changing relationship between the Soviet Union and East Germany, which is no longer simply that of master and servant but has evolved into a complex pattern of mutual dependency and mistrust.

A new Stalin-type note offering unification on Soviet terms, as in 1952, is not in the cards. Anyone who expects such a move from Mr. Gorbachev is falling victim to the legend of missed opportunities.

In the real world, German reunification as a Soviet gift and in isolation from the West would be a gut and in Straints from the West would be revolutiously transformation of the European map that would make Bismarck's policy of 1866-71 look as banal as a change of nameplates over a store. What Disraeli called the "German revolution,"

what Distract called the "German revolution," which transformed Europe in 1871, would be reenacted on a global scale. The slow-moving European chess game would become fast potter overnight.

Any Soviet leader seriously playing the card of German unity would run the risk of being dismissed as an adventurer, as was Nikita Khrushchev. He would either have to sacrifice East Germany (with unforeseeable consequences for Poland), an unacceptable notion for the Soviet side, or insist on an end to European integration and the American presence in Berlin and elsewhere, which would be unacceptable to the Western side.

In fact, Soviet leaders do not ignore the German question. They have made it part of the nuclear issue, on which they are running hot and cold.

Just as Germany was made the focal point of the recent INF crisis, it will have to play a role in

future conventional and nuclear arms control discussions. The subtleties of Soviet arms control diplomacy in Europe can be fully appreciated only if one sees the German question behind it.

This is the real, if unexpressed, agenda of Soviet-German relations. What we must do is create a framework and a procedure that enable us to strike a balance between the military weight of the East and the economic-technological weight of the West Only then can we assure stability in the center of Europe and keep events there predictable.

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Canada: The Global Economy Won't Be Serene By Jim Hoagland

W ASHINGTON—"Politics and economics cannot be separated in a capitalist society, any more of the modern international economy than religion and society in an Islam-ic one," Eric Hobsbawm writes in "The Age of Empire." These words could serve as the inscription on the political tombstone of Prime Minister Brian Mulroney if the ruling Con-servative Party loses Canada's na-

polls now say it will. The election has been fought over the issue of the free trade agreement that Mr. Mulroney signed with Presi-dent Reagan earlier this year. Even if he comes back to eke out a victory, the agreement has drawn such fierce opposition that it stands as damaged ods. That result will confront the goods. That result will confront me Bush administration with an immediate and troublesome challenge in its effort to find a global strategy to deal

tional election on Monday, as the

with trade and protectionism. Mr. Hobsbawm's judgment is rooted in the second half of the 19th century, when the international scramble for economic advantage created both glory and disaster. Today, trade and other international economic issues are moving to the center of the politics of industrial democracies in a different way.

T ORONTO — Canadians are in the last days of an astonishing

political fight, and the smell of an upset is in the air.

tive Party, who four years ago won

the greatest parliamentary majority in Canadian history, may lose it on Monday to John Turner, who entered

the campaign with his Liberal Party

divided and deeply in debt. Mr. Turner has stomped the country for a

year arguing that Mr. Mulroney's

free trade agreement with the United States is a disaster,

In reality, the trade pact has very

little to do with lowering barriers; most of the tariffs between the two

countries were either gone or going anyway. What the deal does is inte-

grate the Canadian economy into

the American by establishing mar-

ket forces as the measure of a single

evolution toward a mixed economy

resembling those of Europe, with a balance of social democracy and

capitalism, would be frozen and

eventually undermined by the need

to survive under the domination of

American marketplace rules. The

deal serves the interests of a Canadi-

by U.S. branch plant operations and

Canadian multinationals, all of

which are frustrated by the controls

Prime Minister Mulroney did all

he could to avoid serious discussion

of the deal. He won the last election

and costs of a mixed economy.

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siness community dominated

This would mean that Canada's

North American economy.

Brian Mulroney and his Conserva-

have been dealt with by the governing elites among themselves in bureaucratic negotiations designed to limit political fallout. The surge of eco-nomic nationalism that Canada's opposition parties have been able to tap is a harbinger of problems to come for all governments in the West.

How can any country, particularly America's friendly northern neighbor, snub both closer links to the United States and the notion of free trade, and in a single vote? A chie can be found in the Ottawa saying that it is impossible to tell a Canadian from an American, except by making that statement within earshot of a Canadian.

The fierce determination by Canadians not to be absorbed into the United States, to keep their ample social programs and to remain a "gentler, kinder nation," to coin a phrase, is only part of the answer. The high-powered campaign run by the opposition parties has exposed the trade pact as a politically flawed and imbalanced accord in which Washington offers "free" trade at a price.

The agreement gives off an aroma of desperation. It was driven by Mr. Mulroney's fears that future U.S.

A Vote on the Nature of the Country

By John Ralston Saul

as an opponent of any such negotia-tions, then tried to put the whole

thing in place before the next elec-tion. In so doing he misled the Cana-dian people and the U.S. govern-ment, for he did not have a mandate

In leaked documents, the govern-

ment laid out plans to stick to simplistic praise for the principle of free trade, to avoid discussing details and never to reply to concrete criticisms

except with personal attacks accusing

critics of lear mongering and anti-

Americanism. The treaty text was

kept as unavailable as possible, while

thousands of pages of glossy propa-ganda were handed out to everyone but farm animals and the dead.

These tactics seemed to be working until two campaign debates in which

Mr. Mulroney seemed unable either

to answer questions about the deal or

to convince voters that he actually

understood what it was about. Over-

night, the campaign polls flipped by

10 percentage points. Opposition to the trade deal rose to 50 percent,

The televised debates were pivotal

but what made the turnaround possi-

ble was the opposition of virtually

every grass-roots organization in the

country - churches, consumers, en-

vironmental groups, fishermen on

both coasts, most farmers' organiza-

tions, unions, teachers, the creative

community. There has never been

while support sank to 25 percent.

to alter the nature of Canada.

protectionist acts would restrict Canadian access to the \$400 billion American market, which absorbs 80 percent of all Canadian exports. And exports provide 30 percent of Canada's GNP. Mr. Mulroney is also sensibly concerned about Canada being left isolated as the only large industri al democracy without a guaranteed market of 100 million people, as the European Community moves toward barrier-free trade in 1992.

This presented the U.S. negotiators with an opportunity they could not resist to secure Canadian concessions on energy supplies, foreign investment regulations and other sensitive re-sources. The concessions serve America's immediate interests, and the U.S. team can take pride in that. But they

also make the accord an albatross for Mr. Mulroney, who had hoped to avoid any significant public debate on the agreement and get speedy ratifica-tion of the accord from Parliament. But he failed to get a clear guarantee of protection from restrictive measures by the U.S. Congress. The most Washington would give him was a binational panel to examine whether U.S. trade decisions are in accordance

such a populist crusade against a Ca-nadian government. And there has

never been a government so reliant

upon the support of big business. If Mr. Mulroney loses, it will be a re-

markable victory of the people and

After the debates and the new

polls, business threw millions of dollars into advertising and began a

scare campaign. There would be a recession; house prices would fall;

the Americans would never forgive

us; the economy would collapse.

The truth is that the Canadian

Accusations of anti-Americanism

are ridiculous and inflammatory. The trade deal was poorly negotiat-

Washington has learned over the

strong, self-confident allies than

fearful shadows. Charles de Gaulle

may have been a nuisance, but the

result is a Europe of real allies work-

ing in their own way for the cause of

If Canadians reject Mr. Mulroney and his trade deal, Americans should

be pleased. It will mean that their

The writer is an economic historian

and novelist; his most recent novel is "The Paradise Eater." He contributed

this comment to The New York Times.

closest ally is alive and well.

social and economic model.

trouble than acolytes.

John Turner over money.

in a serious trade crunch.

Mr. Mulroney's opponents say they will abrogate the agreement if they win. But they have been careful to say they would seek a new agreement that would omit the most disadvantageous features of the Minimoney accord. These two aspects of their campaign present incoming Secretary of State Jim Baker and his aides with a major challenge before they are even in office - and with a way out of it.

There will be a strong temptation to let the Canadians stew in their own juices. They will, after all, have knocked out one of the cornerstones of the Bush-Baker strategy on trade. The U.S.-Canadian trade agreement is designed to present an implicit threat to the Japanese and Europeans as the Uniquely round of trade negotiations reaches a critical midterm review.

But the wiser course will be for the Bush team to offer, immediately after the election, to accept a request from a new Canadian government to renego-tiate the agreement. Mr. Baker should also try to limit the impact of the lian rejection on the Uruguay round and prevent it from triggering calls for retaliation in Congress.

For there is a serious danger that rejection of the agreement might bring down on Canada the very pro-tectionist measures that Mr. Mulroney sought to avoid.

A campaign of congressional ven-geance would be a severe setback for America's own longer-term interests. Protectionism of whatever kind is economy operating with the aid of politics," Mr. Hobsbawm also writes in his penetrating study. It just happens to survey how a global economy is formed, and then torn apart by the pressures it helps create.

The Washington Post.

Harangue Instead of Giving Up

By Flora Lewis

S INTRA, Portugal — Next month brings the 40th anniversary of the universal declaration of human rights. "Between hope and frustration" was the apt title for a meeting here on how to press ahead. Indeed,

the record is spotty.

Particularly in Third World countries, there is still angry controversy about whether rights should be conidered universal, whether that claim isn't another Western presumption to know what's best for everybody. But the idea is spreading that there are common requirements for basic haman dignity, and that sovereign independence confers no state immunity from criticism for the way it treats the people under its authority.

At least the perverse notion is waning that developing countries, unpracticed in scil-government, de-serve some special indulgence when they egregiously abuse their citizens.
"This is the worst kind of double standard, pure racism," an Indian woman said stemly.

The most unexpected changes have come in some Communist countries. They show it is worthwhile to keep on haranguing and complaining, not bebut because doing so gives people heart to know they are not alone.

"A decent respect to the opinions of mankind," in the words of America's founders, remains a compelling claim on those who hold power. That it is hard to enforce does not

diminish the responsibility to assert it nor justify cynical apathy. It is only 13 years ago that the Heisinki accords were signed, pro-claiming standards that all governments of Europe undertook to assure their citizens. Some in the United States called for denouncing the agreements as a fraud and a hypocrisy on the grounds that the Soviet Union gave them no more than lip service. Now Andrei Sakharov is visiting the United States, accompanied by seven dissident friends and seeking to establish a joint Soviet-American monitoring group. It was only a couple of years ago that he was near death in enforced internal exile at Gorki, on hunger strike to obtain the right for his wife to seek medical treatment abroad.

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The Soviet Union has accepted that reports on violations of the Helsinki agreements are appropriate interna-tional discourse. Instead of repeating the old line that the accusations are an "intolerable interference in internal affairs," Moscow seeks to vie with the fairs," Moscow seeks to vie with the West by making charges of its own. The agenda is established, and it is possible now to get on with the cases. No matter if the impulse is propaganda, the people are real.

It is surprising that the Soviets are insisting so adamantly on a 1991 Helinki making conference in Moscow.

sinki review conference in Moscow, but they have made it a condition for t DC SCICULO ending the current stalled conference in Vienna. The risk, which Washington and Margaret Thatcher's Britain are so concerned about, is that the event will be used to cover continued Soviet abuses with diplomatic courtesy and an appearance of innocence.

But it is an opportunity that should \$ not be lightly brushed aside. Certain conditions can be put, already considered normal at previous conferences, such as access for all human rights groups including Soviet citizens, and full publicity. If that puts Mikhail Gorbachev in a position to claim international support for ever more glasnost, what is the harm? It leaves everyone else in a position to continue judging by the facts and to urge more implementation.

The new Soviet press law that he

has proposed is a troubling and ironic example of the obstacles to compliance with Helsinki objectives. The Soviet leadership talks of the need to establish the rule of law as a part of its reforms. The draft on the rights and obligations of the Soviet press is a bad law, with too many constraints and provisions for suppression.

The difference with the past is that \$\frac{1}{2}\$

repression has been arbitrary, with-out benefit of law. Relaxation of censorship has made it possible for people like Sergei Grigoryants, publisher of the independent journal Glasnost, to slip through the cracks.

Is it better to have bed rules than no rules and bad practice? The answer is, neither one is good enough. Demands must continue for free expression. That is the only way to the liveliness and confidence of society, the constant capacity to monitor abuse, that Mr. Gorbachev professes to seek. Frustrations remain, but hopes glimmer. Forty years, 13 years, it's not so long in social history. The cynics give up too easily. The New York Times.

100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1888: Pirates Raid Post MARSEILLES - The latest news

economy has been building quite nicely for 125 years without the deal. from Tonquin brings details of a seri-ous light which took place on the night of Oct. 2 between the occupants of the French military post at An-Chan and a band of Chinese pirates. The Celesed by a Canadian government that lacked confidence in its country's tials, who were 200 strong, succeeded in forcing the stockade of the fort, and threw themselves upon the defending force with the ferocity of demons. A terrible hand to hand struggle ensued, last decades that it is better to have in which the pirates were finally repulsed with considerable loss. The French had three of the native soldiers were killed and a European sergeant democracy. Real friends are more badly wounded. Their magazine of supplies was burned, as well buildings occupied by the officers. ies was burned, as well as several

1913: Minister Resigns

MEXICO CITY — Senor Manuel Gazza Aldape, Minister of the Interi-or, has resigned, it is reported at the request of General Huerta. Senor Aldape may leave the country, as he fears the United States's policy.

for his life. Many Americans are leaving the capital daily. The tension continu to grow and a crisis is near. It is expected that definite action will be taken in regard to the demands of the United States within seventy-two hours.

1938: Continental Guard WASHINGTON - A Western Hemisphere standing strongly to-gether and ready to throw up a wall of armed force against totalitarianism was seen as a distinct possibility for the near future today [Nov. 16] by observers after weighing President Roosevelt's invitation to union yesterday and the quick and generally favorable reaction that it brought from Canada and from the other & twenty American republics. Observers pointed out that the President's invitation to the other American powers to help defend the Americas against totalitarian aggression marked a switch from "national defense" to "continental defense" in

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we know the answer to the central ques-tion of the 1992 election. The question is:

Are you better off than you were in 1988?

To see why, consider the following,

Although it is hard to look up to a man

in that position, candidate Bush placed

his ear to the ground and announced triumphantly: "By two-to-one Congress is blamed for these deficits." The polls are

right about whom the public blames, but

Reagan has been marginal and mostly

who think that his "flexible freeze" is a

Congress's disagreement with Ronald

The answer will be: No.

the public is mistaken.

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OPINION



Do-Gooders Have to Give It Away

P ARIS — Don't believe everything you hear about compassion fatigue. Donor fatigue, maybe: When Bangladesh was ravished recently by floods. President Hussain Mohammed Ershad complained that relief money was slow in arriving because people had heard enough about flood and famine. Yet, as I have reason to know, there is no shortage of people willing to give time and energy to the developing world.

After eight years as a copy editor, I decided to take a leave of absence. This would be the perfect opportunity to spend several months doing some kind of work in the Third World, I thought. That was before I learned about the giut on the do-gooder market.

I realized it would be tough to find a

position, especially one carrying any kind of stipend. All I hoped for was

subsistence pay. I knew that the Third World was not exactly crying out for skilled copy editors. My motives were mostly respectable:

the page ("A Dislike for 'Liberalism'")

as an American synonym for socialism.

not endowed with limitless chutzpah,

one might more reasonably have expect-

ed embarrassed silence from one who

not so long ago hosted fund-raising sa-lons for Black Panthers, and whose con-

spicuous agitation in aid of Indochinese

communism did more than most to help

JACK JOLIS. Brasschaat, Belgium.

enslave a subcontinent.

Were the terminally hubristic Lenny

I wanted a break from my job; I wanted to have a few small-scale adventures; I wanted a more than superficial experience of a non-Western culture; I wanted to, er, do some good. And, having lived well for many years, I wanted to make a By Rebecca Brite

deposit in my personal guilt-rehef fund. Back in February I began my quest with phone calls to British-based organizations such as Oxfam and Amnesty

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other UN programs, CARE, the Presby-terian Church in America, the Society of Friends in Britain, and others.

My first tip-off that this was going to be harder than I'd expected was when I started getting form letters in reply, along these lines: Dear Would-Be Do-Gooder - Thank you for your interest, but what the developing world really wants is doctors, nurses, engineers,

agronomists and the like.

Since I was none of those useful things, the letters made clear, and since and American groups, most of which I was not available for long enough to be had never heard of and some of which trained to do something useful, the Third World needed me about as much as Bangladesh needed rain. Form letters? There were other people

agree with the therapist without this dis-

GERALD A. BOWMAN.

ing. Therapy is a serious business.

Call It Barrystroika

It being the night before a public holiday, we had stayed up until the early hours discussing the problems of the

Soviet economy. Awakened by morning

noises after what seemed a few minutes

sleep, I zombied into the kitchen, need-

ing coffee and breakfast, pronto. No service — only the sound of laughter.

My wife staggered into the kitchen to

there ever, I was told. The do-gooder glut seems to have several causes. People are increasingly interested in Third World work, especially in Most of the Western "sending agencies" or hospital makes a request for someone with specified skills. Unskilled jobs are largely reserved now for local people.

I could only applaud all of this, but it didn't make my quest any easier.

1 re-examined my finances, then sent

shrunk considerably. These letters went to smaller British had wonderful names, such as Regions Beyond Missionary Union. I had their addresses from a few of the big agencies

ceeds to discuss them seriously and critically, without looking for an underlying motive, "erroneously implies that this is a new approach, or that the traditional fields all look for underlying motives.

Part of traditional the province of traditional fields all look for underlying motives. cations at a church-related university.

Part of traditional therapy is an open relationship in which the client can dissent being interpreted as resistance. We in the field are used to those per-Thai-Cambodian border. By all accounts, Chiang Mai is one of the garden spots of the Orient. The bal-

To other would-be do-gooders:

as of your good intentions.

By the way, Payap University in Chiang Mai heard of me not via one of

International Herald Tribune.

Asia, which was where I wanted to go. International. Soon thereafter I began no longer dispatch workers to improve sending letters to major international the lot of poor benighted foreigners and religious groups — UNICEF and whether the latter want them or not, but wait until a local church group or school

> off a much larger batch of letters, offering my services entirely free: I would everything, I said, including travel and insurance, if only someone would take me on. By this time my view of my importance to the world at large had

I had originally contacted.
In all, I wrote to more than 60 groups.

Only two indicated any interest, and these came too late, after I had agreed to go to Chiang Mai, Thailand. Yes, I finally found a job, working (for free) with English-language publi-

It's not quite what I had in mind. I had thought of perhaps distributing hygiene information in the backwoods of Bhutan — until someone gently pointed out that not speaking Dzongkha or Nepali might prove a handicap. Or maybe teaching English to refugees on the

sons who want to enjoy the rewards of the therapist's life (monetary and otherwise) ance in my guilt-relief fund drops a little without undergoing the necessary trainevery time another old Asia hand tells me what a paradise it is.

Don't let this article discourage you. At least, not too much. But let it be a warning. If you don't have at least two years to dedicate to Third World work, and you don't have the above-mentioned useful skills, start your search for a job far, far ahead of time, and be prepared to give of your money as well

the letters I sent but through friends of friends, former missionaries in Thailand. Not the least of the many ironies of this experience is that, between my letters and the agencies' replies, the money spent for postage on this project probably could have fed a family in Bhutan for a month.

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Nannies vs. Big Brother

George F. Will (in "Dukakis Is Communicating an Unavowable Message, "Oct. 20) informs us that liberalism has become the "rasping voice of bossy government" and a "nagging nanny." be-cause liberals favor freedom of choice for women on abortion and freedom of choice for parents and teachers in determining ways of inspiring children to-

ward a meaningful sense of civic duty.
"You can't legislate morality" is a conservative rallying cry. But when it comes to legislating morality, conservatives seem determined to gain the upper hand. Today's conservatives seem to want to replace those rasping old liberal nannies with the cool eye of Big Brother. CHARLES KAUFMANN.

morrow is apt to be a lot like today —
Mr. Bush promised as much. There will
be a lot of bookkeeping legerdemain,
supplemented by weird assumptions about high growth and low interest Steinsland, Norway. rates. There will be a growing lust to raid the Social Security trust fund, to squander it on current government operations. Gramm-Rudman, the so-called "gun The Journal: No Intention of 'Scaling Back' in Europe behind the door," may be a popgun. It To set the record straight, I would like headquarters during the course of 1989. can be amended or ignored. And if it is

about the Wall Street Journal/Europe.

editors. Of that total, we expect to trans-

after an election won by a candidate ("WSJ Sets Cutback in Europe," Nov. 15.) This newspaper has no intention whatshouting "peace through strength."

Mr. Bush promised continuity. That soever of scaling back its plans to build a means more reckless borrowing that abmajor newspaper presence in Europe. On the contrary, we will remain a strong, growing and highly competitive part of sorbs private savings needed for productive investment. It means more borrowthe European newspaper scene. This objective is a key part of the policy of Dow ing from abroad, borrowing that exports assets and, eventually, sovereignty. It means scanting investment in infra-Jones & Co., Inc., our parent, to play an structure and education crucial to increasingly important role in the international information business. American children's living standards. We have 48 people in our news depart-ment. About half of us are Brussels-based All this — the sacrifice of the children

to pay for the parents' gluttony — after a campaign thick with talk about "values," especially "family values." Washington Post Writers Grown.

this division of labor: They beg for high-

the problem is just one of split-second

timing. The theory is that Republicans will put entitlements "on the table" at

the instant Democrats put taxes there,

and by some immaculate conception a

proposal will be born that will have on it

neither party's fingerprints.
But that is prestidigitation, not poli-

tics. Besides, Democrats won't play. Why should they? Mr. Bush is the first

Republican in history to win the White House while his party was losing strength in both houses of Congress. He will soon hear this from Democrats:

Read our lips — you move first.
They will say: You had jolly fun in the

campaign and now you get Air Force One and the Marine Band and Camp

David. But you are expected to lead.

a laugh and we'll get one from any

budget purporting to hit the Gramm-Rudman target without new taxes.

We probably are in for more government by Mr. Micawher and Scarlett O'Hara: "Something will turn up," "We'll think about it tomorrow." To-

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That would be interesting, 11 months

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Bush Was Right to Attack

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Regarding "ACLU Complains of Bush Slander" "(The Hustings, Sept. 28):

Most Americans who value democraand freedom agreed with George Bush in his attack on the American Civil Liberties Union. The ACLU has a history of supporting causes that destroy the American society as we know it. WENDELL L. GOLDEN.

Kinshasa, Zaire, Regarding "Why I'm an American Liberal and Proud of It" (Opinion, Nov. 1):

It came as an unpleasant shock to see that pompous old-left fraud Leonard Bernstein pontificating on the (de-servedly) maligned "virtues" of American liberalism, which Seymour Martin Lipset defined accurately elsewhere on

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editors. The decisions about what news to

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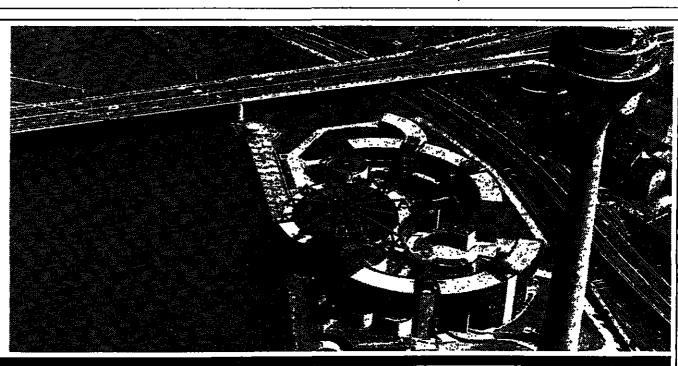
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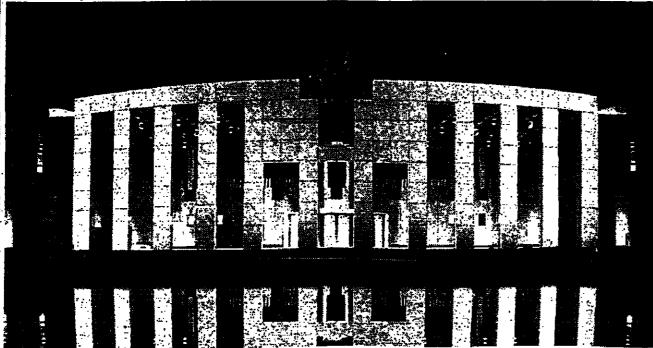
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Sultan Qaboos bin Said, ruler of Oman, has made self-reliance a national goal. In less than a generation he has transformed the Sultanate into a thoroughly modern state. Now the emphasis is on encouraging more investment and joint ventures.

NCE the most backward of the Arabian peninsula nations, Oman has today taken a giant step forward into the 20th century and is now preparing to meet the needs of future generations. In the last 18 years, Sultan Qaboos bin Said has succeeded in molding his once primitive country into a land envied by many of its oilrich neighbors. Oman has also played a major role on the international scene as one of the guardians of the strategically important Strait of Hormuz, and has used its diplomatic weight to help bring about the cease-fire in the Gulf War. And in a new era of "glasnost," it last month gave a red-carpet welcome to the President of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, its southernmost neighbor, with whom it fought a bitter war in the 1970s. The two leaders signed a trade, economic and communications agree-

When the young sultan came to the throne in 1970, there was only one small hospital in the capital, Muscat. There were practically no schools, no surfaced roads to speak of, no decent airports and a subsistence economy based almost entirely on farming and fishing. Anyone who had left

the sultanate before 1970 and returned today would find it hard, if not nearly impossible, to recognize old familiar landmarks, many of which have been swept away by the course of pro-

There are new hospitals (including a recently opened \$250 million, 630-bed Royal Hospital) and health clinics in every town and village. There are schools, a university, half a dozen luxury hotels and a network of surface roads linking every corner of the country, which stretches more than 1,000 kilometers (620 miles) from the searing hear of the Musandam peninsula beside the Strait of Hormuz to the tropical green of Dhofar province in the south. It is possible to make a phone call to anywhere in the world with little or no delay through the ISTD system. There are new international standard airports, an expanding oil industry and an increasing range of local manufacturing industries, ranging from plastics to a state-of-the art copper smelter.

Sulran Qaboos and his government have succeeded in doing in less than one generation what many nations in the West have taken hundreds of years to achieve.

But Oman has had its



Sultan Qaboos bin Said, ruler of Oman since 1970.

problems, roo. It fought a long, drawn-out guerrilla war with the Marxist Southem Yemen. It has survived the decline in oil revenues just as it was about to maximize its own production. Earlier this year, some parts of the country suffered severe devastation as a result of torrential rains. Today Oman is forging new diplomatic links, increasing its internationalization and encouraging more industrial joint ventures.

With the easing of entry restrictions, it is also developing its own tourist industry. Oman has a wealth of riches with which to support an economically important tourism sector. It has

started in a small way with selective groups of visitors, mainly from Europe. There are excellent hotels and many opportunities to visit important ancient, medieval and 18th century sites throughout the country. No other Arabian land has so much to offer. The genuine hospitality of the Omanis

themselves makes a visit

memorable.

This has been an important year in the history of Oman. At the start the Sultan outlined his national goals, aimed at greater self-reliance in both material and human resources. Greater Omanization of key sectors of the economy and industry is a paramount target, and Sultan Qaboos has urged greater cooperation between the private and state sectors in order to achieve this national objective.

tional objective.

Oman's Petroleum Development Agency is currently producing around 600,000 barrels of oil a day. Two new fields have just been discovered. In addition, gas is playing a more significant part in the hydrocarbon industry. Japan is the major importer of Oman's oil products, which account for more than 90 percent of total exports.

Because of the fall in oil prices from \$27 a barrel in 1986 to the current figure of around \$10, revenues have dropped sharply. Oil revenues this year are expected to reach RO 1.35 billion (\$3.5 billion). Major expenditure curs on proposed public spending by the government have reduced the 1986 deficit of RO 742 million to RO 149 million. These savings have been made in order to conserve national reserves and maintain a higher level of international credit worthiness.

Finance Under-Secretary Mohammed bin Moosa Al Yousef told a group of potential investors earlier this year that the government had approved projects worth RO 352 million, part of a

total RO 780 million expenditure falling within the third five-year plan (1986-1990).

Oman's 25 banks are now trying to consolidate their overall position by making greater provisions for nonperforming loans. Total lending at the end of 1987, according to Mr. Moosa, was estimated at RO 748 million. The banking sector, while acknowledging its current difficulties and reduced profits, considers the present period as a return to more normal times compared to the exceptionally profitable periods when oil prices were high.

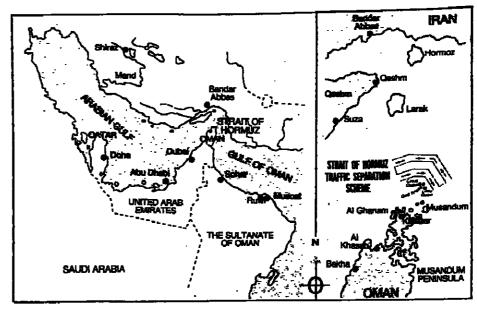
The most important development on the financial front is the imminent opening of the new stock exchange, which should encourage greater private-sector participation.

As it is, the government has now allocated some RO 88 million to help develop private-sector projects as part of its self-reliance plan. The manufacturing and industrial diversification strategy is also paying off, in spite of the general economic downtum. New companies continue to be registered (114 in the first half of this year), bringing the total to more than 30,000.

Although the per capita income has declined, Oman has continued to improve its overall infrastructure with additional power and water supplies, more low-cost housing and increased social services.

With the prospect of stability in the region and increased cooperation among the Gulf Cooperation Council members, Oman continues to play an important role as it moves toward greater self-sufficiency.

Lee Voysey



Oil and Natural Gas Fuel the Country's Economy

opment Oman's September announcement of the discovery of two more oil fields in Southern Oman reflects its continuous search for new oil reserves. Just six kilometers from Rajaa 1, its 50th field, brought into operation last June, light oil was struck at about 1,200 meters. The second find, also light oil, was at Zumucrud in the Marmul area. Exploration Manager Peter de Ruiter says: "It's difficult to define the size of the find, but we're very encouraged to find oil in what was known to be a risky geological set-

Oman, which is not a member of OPEC, has increased production in response to the failure of the organization to agree on output. Oil and related products accounted for 91 percent of Oman's exports in 1987. Japan was the big-

gest purchaser, with nearly 60 percent of oil exports going to industrialized coun-

Gas is also playing an increasingly important role in the economy of the sultanate. A 36-inch pipeline is being laid 180 kilometers from Izz, south of Nizwa, to the Yibal field. This line will parallel an existing 30inch line; looping has al-ready been completed between the coast and Izz. The 13-meter lengths of specialgrade pipe are being delivered in five shiploads from Italy between now and the . end of the year. The project is designed to be completed in time for next summer's peak demand.

Local consumption of gas is increasing as families turn away from cooking with firewood and imported coal. In 1980 there was a steady demand for 10,000 metric tons a year, but by 1987 the National Gas Company sold

an astounding 34,784 metric tons — a considerable jump from their initial 1981 total of 4,194 metric tons. Gas exploration and exploitation has gained new prominence in oil-field management. The commodity that used to be burned off as useless now finds ready buyers.

At the beginning of 1988, the Oman government appointed the U.K. company Deloitte, Haskins and Sells to undertake a study of supply and demand in order to set production targets for the next 40 years. Known natural gas reserves are thought to exceed 10 million cubic feet, and further sites are being explored. Sites include a number of offshore areas. The development of industry not only in Oman but in the Gulf as a whole further emphasizes the potential value of recoverable gas.

Bevis Malin

From Textiles to Halwa

THE Oman Chamber of Commerce and Industry, in association with the Gulf Organization for Industrial Consulting and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, recently organized seminars to t opportunities in 13 new ventures. Inaugurating the Muscat seminar, Commerce and Industry Minister Salim bin Abdullah Al Ghazali said the government hoped that new and constructive ideas showing the way to better industrial policies would result, and that participants would have the opportunity to acquaint themselves with the government incentives available to

industrialists. In the first two years of the five-year plan beginning in 1986, 656 new capitalintensive companies registered a total investment of more than \$356 million. Interest-free loans of approximately \$54 million were provided to some 58 industrial companies. In the first half of 1988, 114 companies were registered with a capital investment of nearly \$18 million. The newly licensed industries include poultry processing, a textile mill, shark processing, tarpaulins and tents, castor oil and cakes, toilet soap, bleaching and scouring powders, metal cans, polyethylene conversion, industrial truck bodies, adhesive tapes and water pumps. Care has been exercised to distribute a share of the industrial development to the south and to the interior areas.

Within the Russyl In-

dustrial Estate, some 45 kilo-

meters (27.9 miles) from Muscat and six kilometers from the international airport at Seeb, the Omar . Zawawi Establishment will open a 10,000 - square - meter (107,639-square-foot) textile mill in November. According to the Oman Textile Mills Company S.A.O. general manager Mr. Y. Gopal Krishnan, the mill is equipped with the latest Sulzer Bros. P7100 weaving machines from Switzerland which will give a capacity of about 8 million meters (around 8.75 million yards) per year. The factory aims to be highly flexible in its product mix, and will be able to produce a wide range of fabrics. Estimating the total Omani fabric market at 25 million meters per year, the goal is to compete with imported fabrics on a quality rather than price basis. The project, with an investment cost of around \$22 million, is expected to be offered in



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part to investors on the new Oman Stock Exchange.

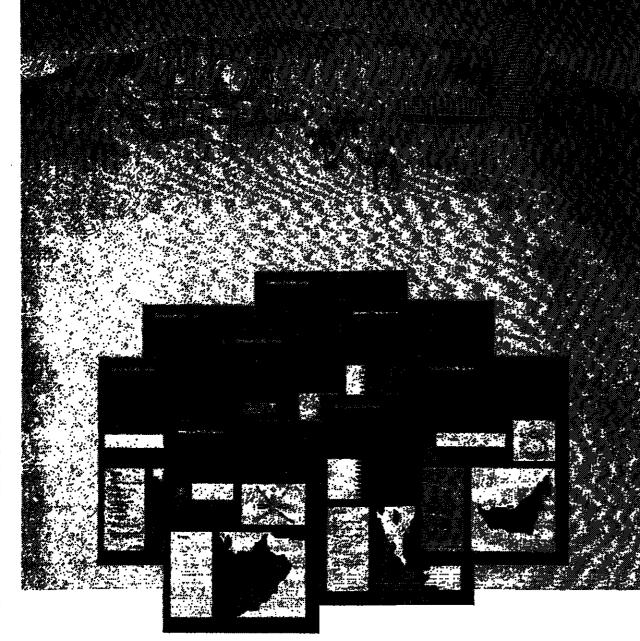
Oman Stock Exchange. Another Omani conglomerate, Sabco, which includes the frankincensebased Amouage range of perfumes and toilerries, has promoted another venture with a local bias. They have linked up with sweet and chocolate makers Barker & Dobson to manufacture a range of confectionery based on Omani halwa. Made from sugar and ghee (clarified butter) and flavored with rose water and spices. halwa varies slightly from district to district in flavor, but is traditionally served with the slightly bitter cardomon-flavored Omani coffee. Sabco's Mr. Hikmat

Dandan reports that it plans to make a "Halwa Bar" in the style of a Mars bar, boxed chocolates filled with halwa in semiliquid and fondant form, halwa-flavored toffee and a boiled sweet flavored with halwa. The \$3.25 million project is in partnership with Zubiar Enterprises, and 25 percent of the company will be made available on the new stock exchange.

Growth is being seen in

the mining and processing of copper, a project included in the first five-year plan. Development Council statistics show an increase in the export of copper cathodes during the first three months of this year, from \$6.6 million in 1987 to \$12 million in 1988. The Omani government recently entered into an agreement with the Bureau for Geological and Mining Research to evaluate copper reserves in Northern Oman. Reports speak of copper deposits "streaked with gold and silver" being tound

In regard to the formation of the National Fisheries Company, Mr. L.C. Liewellyn, chief executive of Ominvest, the major investment and development company, says that this is a sensible approach to regulating the exploitation of the sulcanare's resources. The waters around the coasts of Oman are rich in fish, and he is pleased to see that the fishing industry will be managed to benefit the people of Oman.



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Tourists visit an old fort in Oman (left), and the Al Bustan Palace Hotel (right).

Ancient Sites and Modern Hotels

HIE development of Oman's courist industry has been as gradual and as carefully orchestrated as any part of the country's socioeconomic renaissance. The result is a delightfully unique mixture of the ancient and the ultra-The commodity that used: modern. Great pains have been taken to ensure that Oman's rich cultural heritage suffers minimum damage. From the moment the visitor is first set down at the impressive international Seeb Airport, Muscat, the high quality of life in Oman is evident. The buildings are well designed and efficiently

Each of Oman's luxurious international hotels is set in lovely surroundings. From the privately owned and managed Al Falaj Hotel, Muscar's oldest established international hotel, to the Intercontinental Group (Al Bustan and Intercontinental), Sheraton, Accor, Holiday Inn - all are here. Facilities compare favorably with those of luxury hotels the world over, and the cuisine is varied and excellent. The southern capital, Salalah, is also being developed for tourists. Its lush vegetation reflects a completely different climate influenced by

About halfway down the coast to Salalah is the Sur Beach Resort Motel. Inland, in a delightful and historic town, the Nizwa Al Falaj Motel provides an oasis of peace and welcome. In the north, the Sohar Morel is an especially pleasant stopping

But the sultanate of

Oman offers more than just good hotels. This is a land of rich contrasts. Stark mouncain ranges, the ever changing patterns of desert sands and the lush greenery of the wadis of the interior vie with ancient cities and historic buildings. There are miles of unspoiled beaches, clear blue seas, a myriad of tropical fish and fascinating fishing villages. Oman is a land of legend, and claims to have been the home of the Queen of Sheba and Sinbad the Sailor. For centuries, the celebrated frankincense of the Salalah area was carried to Rome and beyond.

The Al Bustan Palace Hotel, managed by Mr. Heinrich Pannen for the In-

modern palace built to house the heads of the GCC states in royal splendor. Mr. Pannen considers tourism in the sultanate of Oman to be progressing well. During 1987 he welcomed groups from Germany, Austria and Switzerland, who spent some 5,000 room-nights in the hotel. In 1988-89 he expects this figure to more than double. He credits this increase jointly to the efforts of the hotels and the publicity undertaken by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. The possibility of a new

72-hour visa would, he feels,

encourage expatriates living

in other Gulf states to join

the increasing flow of tour-ists from neighboring coun-

tercontinental Group, is a

At the Oman Sheraton Hotel, Mr. Dieter Janssen, vice president and general manager, says: "1987 could hardly be described as a tourism year, since it was only in the second quarter that tourism really got started." He points out that the lead time in international tourism is a lengthy one. Tour operators

have been working hard for

1988, and considerable allot-

ment bookings await confirmation. He considers that a tourism-development blueprint is needed to more clearly define the objectives of the hotel industry.

Mr. Tolly Papayannis of the Al Falaj Hotel says that in 1987 the international financial crisis resulted in fewer guests, despite Oman's own healthy financial condition. There has been an improvement in the second half of 1988, but business is still down. For 1989 he predicts steady growth in the number of visitors from the Gulf, Europe, the United States and Japan.

"Oman's horels ser the highest standard in the Gulf," says Mr. Papayannis, "but the best tourist venue is the hotel that does the most for the tourist. This is not always the biggest or the most expensive."

Mr. Papayannis praises the hard work of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, saying that Minister Salim bin Abdullah Al Ghazali and the Tourism Director Mohammed Ali Said are a driving force.

Agriculture Policy: Stem Rural Exodus

▼HIS has been a significant year for the development of agricultural resources. Sultan Oaboos bin Said made an important policy decision when he declared 1988 "Agriculture Year." A number of new irrigation and livestock breeding projects have been started in a bid to make the sultanare more self-sufficient in agriculture. The renewed emphasis on agriculture is also an attempt to stem the exodus from rural areas to the new, expanding urban centers.

Until the discovery of oil in 1967, Oman's subsistence economy was almost entirely based on agriculture and fishing. The subsequent changes were quicker and in some ways more abrupt than those in other Arabian countries. As a result, many of the 1.5 million people living in the rural areas left their villages to seek work in the towns. This led to a sharp decline in agricultural production and a waste of resources due to inefficient husbandry.

Oman has a more varied climate and terrain than any other country in the Arabian peninsula: the harsh, mountainous northern Musundam peninsula where temperatures soar to more than 50 degrees C. (122 degrees F.) in the summer, the lowlying plainlands of the Batinah coast and the rich semi-tropical forestlands of the far south. These contrast sharply with the "Empty Quarter" desert areas where Oman borders Saudi Arabia in the south and the high inland ranges of the Jebel

Akhdar. With such a variety of growing conditions Oman has a rich potential for all kinds of fruit, from apricots, peaches, almonds and walnuts from the heights of the Jebel Akhdar to temperateclimate fruits and vegetables

from the foothills. Dates and limes are grown in the lowlands in northern Oman and such fruits as coconurs. bananas and papayas are cultivated in the tropical Sala-

lah plains in the south. Today some fruits and vegetables are exported to other Gulf countries, but they do not match the scale of exports in ancient times, when Oman was the center of the world's frankincense trades.

Because of the drift away from farming, the ancient irrigation system of deep underwater channels cut into the rocks has fallen into de-

About 41,000 hectares (101,000 acres) of land are currently under cultivation. But new land-usage and ground-water surveys have indicated that this figure could be increased by a further 72,000 hectares.

In order to encourage a return to the farms, in 1981 the government formed the Bank of Agriculture and Fisheries with a capital of RO 19 million (\$63 million), which provides loans to enable farmers to buy seeds and equipment.

A major program of reconstructing the old irrigation channels is under way. New ground-water collecting and distribution techniques are being harmonized with the ancient irrigation systems of canals and aqueducts.

Nine new recharge dams are planned to conserve rainwater for farmers in various parts of Oman. The one at Tanuf, near Nizwa, will cover an area of two square kilometers and will hold a million cubic meters of water when completed, at a cost of \$3.25 million. Agriculture has always been regarded as one of Oman's natural resources. By improving water management, not only can agricultural imports be reduced, but a considerable export potential realized.

"It is very difficult to get the farmers to adapt to new methods for irrigation, like water sprinklers," says Mr. Saud bin Salim Al Harthy of the Agriculture and Fisheries bank. "They are very skeptical,"

By the end of this year, 2,500 government research and experimental farms will have been created throughout the country. A major new project calls for 300 model livestock breeding farms, which will eventually help boost goat-mear production. There are some 700,000 goats, 200,000 sheep, 140,000 head of cattle, 79,000 camels and 24,000

donkeys in Oman. Dr. Khamfar bin Abdulla of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries says: "The new farm centers are bound to yield better returns. We want them to serve as models for other farms."

The government also hopes to increase beef and veal production to reduce the heavy burden of imports, which amounts to about 75 percent of total

As well as encouraging production, the government has created the Public Authority for the Marketing of Agricultural Products (PA-MAP) to form better links between farmers and traders. PAMAP also helps show farmers how to package their produce and improve quality control.

In addition, PAMAP promores the sale of Omani products overseas and sponsors seminars and exhibitions. This year the 19th Near East regional Food and Agriculture Organization conference was held in Oman. Next week, beginning November 24, Oman will stage an international agriculture and fisheries exhibition which will highlight the country's own food and food processing services. Last year more than 15,000 visitors attended a similar

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Bankers Expect Increased Profits

U.S. dollar and in the lace of rising import costs, the Omani government's firm action in postponing development proects has dramatically reduced the 1987 budget deficit to RO149 million (around \$300 million), down from RO 700 million. in 1986. The postponements have resulted in reductions in construction material sales and a sharp fall in expatriate labor, reducing purchasing levels. With bank assers down 4 percent in 1987, both the national and foreign banks are making every effort to stave off a second year of diminished profits. Oman, fortunate to have completed much of its infrastructure prior to the downtum in the internation-

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to the general level of activity. They now seem far more realistic. Banks are now facing a combination of reduced lending opportunities and increased exposure on bad loans." He views the coming stock exchange as an excellent development, which will help put realistic

values on local companies. Initially, he says, the exchange will not be patterned on European and American markets, which handle vast numbers of quoted companies. Licensed banks, insurance companies and of course Ominvest itself may well handle underwriting functions. Government and private bonds may be traded, and new instruments such as convertible bonds are to be expected

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TITH a currency "In the boom periods profits torical relationship with Services system is proving pegged to the were unreasonably high due traders rather than contractors." As for possible bank mergers, he considers size to be less important than the quality of assets and liability management. The growth of secondary finance, he says, is demand-driven by the basic need for financing during a time of recession.

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Now, a 'Meltdown-Proof' Reactor

By William J. Broad New York Times Service NEW type of nuclear reactor, designed to be immune to meltdown, is being seen by experts as a safer alternative to conventionreactors and to coal- and pasfired plants whose emissions have been linked to environmental ills like acid rain and global warming.

American and foreign companics are racing to bring the innovative design to market. The new machine is called a modular, hightemperature, gas-cooled reactor, and the U.S. Department of Energy recently called for a unit to be built in Idaho to produce tritium for nuclear weapons. The Idaho device, estimated to cost at least \$2 billion, would also serve as a prototype for civilian reactors that would generate electricity.

Designers of the new reactor say the machine is intrinsically safe because its physical characteristics make it immune to meltdown. It relies on laws of nature rather than complicated machinery and errorprone caretakers to prevent major accidents. All reactors rely on a chain reaction in which heavy atoms are split to release bursts of energy and heat. The strength of the reaction depends in part on the concentration of the fuel. The challenge is to keep the reaction under that can withstand very high tempera-

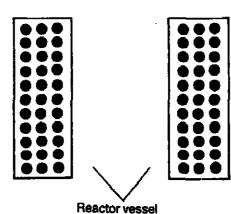
The key safety feature of the new design is that its fuel is more dilute say, this fuel cannot become hot than usual. It is made by forming uranium into billions of tiny grains and covering each of these with a tough ceramic shell that can withstand unusually high temperatures. This arrangement means that the fuel and its radioactive byproducts are tightly sealed from the environ-ment. Most important, it also means that the fuel is less dense and reactive than the concentrated to nuclear power, calling it inherfuel rods in conventional reactors. The high-temperature, gas-cooled reactor is considered so safe that it can withstand the simultaneous failure of the rods that control the it might be more environmentally nuclear reaction, the pumps and all benign than fossil-fuel power

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"It can survive that accident easily," said Lawrence M. Lidsky, a atmosphere, and most experts beprofessor of nuclear engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology who is investigating Nuclear reactors produce none of

the new design.
Robert D. Pollard, a nuclear safety engineer with the Union of changed a major parameter in the Concerned Scientists, a private anti-nuclear equation," said John group critical of the nuclear power F. Ahearne, a former chairman of industry, said Mr. Lidsky's state-the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Comment was too sweeping but he mission who is vice president of called the reactor "clearly safer" Resources for the Future, a Washdependent on physical laws rather introduced legislation intended to than complex machinery," he said. deal with the new environmental

Top fuel temperature: 3,000° Fuel casing failure point: 3,300°



The Critical Change:

A new type of reactor uses less con-

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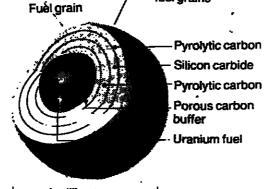
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While many skeptics remain cool ills, recently called for "a fresh look at nuclear power," citing the threat of climatic destruction.

ently dangerous, growing ranks of scientists, U.S. officials and even The new interest in nuclear power comes a decade after the reactor environmental groups are re-examsiness all but died in the United ining nuclear power to see whether States. Since 1978, no American utility has ordered a new reactor. The nuclear power plants now op-erating in the United States are generally water-cooled reactors. Their hot nuclear fuel has to be carefully and continuously cooled to avoid accidents. In such reactors, half-inch thick

rods of uranium-oxide fuel get yel-"The greenhouse effect has low hot at their core, reaching temperatures of about 4,100 degrees Fahrenheit (2,250 degrees Centi-grade) according to "A Guidebook to Nuclear Reactors," published by University of California Press. The than the existing generation of nuington-based environmental group. metal casing around the fuel is clear power plants. "We've got to Senator Timothy E. Wirth, a cooled to the much lower temperametal casing around the fuel is change the industry so safety is Democrat from Colorado, who has ture of about 650 degrees by circulating water. This water, which is se pressure, goes to a

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serious loss-of-coolant accident, no cooled reactors. radioactivity will escape. This "de-fense in depth" philosophy has proven to have serious drawbacks.

Since the new fuel is less concen-trated, and safer, the reactor's core would have to be quite large to

pense of safety systems have forced utilities to build large plants that can produce more electricity and thus more revenue.

Yet all the precautions are sometimes insufficient, as shown by the 1979 accident at the Three Mile Island reactor in Pennsylvania. In that accident a partial meltdown occurred and some radioactive gas was released into the environment Critics have long called on industry to renounce the current generation of reactors, saying that, no matter how extensive the safety measures are, the machines are disasters

waiting to happen.
"It's bad energy policy to rely on reactors that have the potential for accidents with enormous off-site consequences on the grounds that the probability is low," said Mr.

The main attraction of the modular, high-temperature, gas-cooled reactor is that it is far less sensitive to changes in fuel temperatures than the conventional reactors, a safety feature that industry experts say will aid its marketplace success. "We see a very bright future," said Richard A. Dean, senior vice dent of General Atomics, a San Diego-based company that helped pioneer the technology.

The design's secret lies in its tiny fuel particles, each the size of a

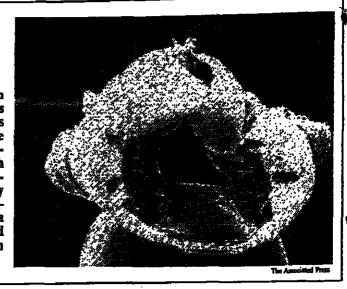
grain of sand. These individual grains are encapsulated in multiple terials, which trap radioactive fission products and can transmit beat but remain intact up to temperatures of 3,300 degrees. The capsules each have a diameter of only I millimeter. For ease of handling, they are bound together into small rods or containers the size of billiard balls.

Since the top temperature that fuel grains can achieve in such a bines to generate electricity. fuel grains can achieve in such a lf the water disappears for just matrix is about 3,000 degrees, there is no way for them to melt through stroy the metal casing. At 1,800 the protective capsules, no matter degrees the casing starts to break what the accident, nuclear engi-down, and at 3,370 degrees it melts. neers say. Instead of water, the The danger comes when fuel starts coolant in the new reactor is helito hump together in a molten mass um, an inert gas that transfers heat that can damage or destroy the re- from the reactor core to electricitymaking turbines. The helium can To avoid meltdowns, engineers be heated to much higher tempera-have devised a series of safety sys-tures than water, the "high temtems. One major line of defense is perature" in the reactor's name reemergency cooling loops of water ferring to coolant temperature to keep the fuel core from melting, rather than fuel temperature. This Another is a series of concrete con-relatively high coolant temperature tainment vessels that surround the allows the new reactor to operate fuel core so that, even during a with greater efficiency than water-

"Complexity is the reason light- achieve the same power output as water reactors are so hideously ex-pensive and hard to run," said Mr. cally produce about 1,100 mega-lidsky. The complexity and ex-watts of electricity.

Oldest Insect In the World?

This fossil, which has been magnified 160 times, was found in Quebec and has been identified as part of the oldest known insect, a distant relative of the silverfish that lived more than 390 milfion years ago. The discovery is evidence that the transition of animal life from sea to land probably occurred earlier than had been thought, scientists say.



For Sale: Engineered Mice

By Malcolm Gladwell

Washington Past Service

HE Du Pont Co. has announced that it will begin A selling genetically engineered mice early next year, a move that for the first time will bring to the commercial marketplace higher life forms manipulated by the tools of biotechnology.

Dubbed "OncoMice" because they carry human

cancer genes, or oncogenes, the mice last spring be-came the first animals ever to be the subject of a U.S. patent. The initial market for the mice - which could sell for as much as \$100 each — is likely to be small. But biotech experts said that, if these animals provide a successful model for human-cancer research, the grams are enclastrated in mandpie spheres of glassy carbon-based ma-terials, which trap radioactive fis-models for the study of everything from cardiovascular diseases to AIDS.

While scientists Taesday welcomed the decision to begin marketing the mice, the move was greeted with dismay by environmentalists and animal-rights activ-

"Saying that an animal that is genetically engineered can be patented and sold is the official endorsement that animals are human creations, that they are simply commodities, and are not ours in trust," said Michael Fox, vice president for bioethics for the Humane Society of America. "But in a profane world, what else can you expect, where nothing is sacred

anymore except human ingenuity?"

At least two dozen other animal-patent applications have been made to the U.S. Patent Office, and a wide variety of genetically altered animals are under development for such purposes as improving strains of

livestock and pharmaceutical research.

The advantage of having genetically engineered mice born with a pre-disposition to cancer is that they develop the disease in much the same way that humans do - their own cells become cancerous. Traditional methods required injecting cancerous cells from other animals into a healthy mouse. Scientists could not be sure that the mouse's body treated the foreign cells as

Depression-Addiction Links Studied

By Harold M. Schmeck Jr.

ous underlying depression or

The results fly in the face of conventional wisdom that the opposite is true: that the depression and anxiety found in drug abusers are always results of the drug use, said Dr. Edward V. Nunes, who heads the drug study at the New York State Psychiatric Institute and Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center. While the conventional wisdom is right in most cases, he said, there appear to be some peo-ple in whom the drug abuse is the result of psychiatric problems rath-

ing alcohol or drugs primarily because they are suffering from seristandard anti-depression drug long enough, it takes on a life of its helps some alcoholics and cocaine own, he said.

> Dr. Nunes estimates that 10 percent to 20 percent of alcoholics fit the pattern, and that could mean more than a million patients throughout the United States. How many cocaine abusers may be involved is unclear. So far the research project has proceeded further with alcoholism than with

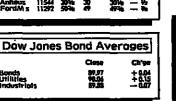
In both the alcoholics and the drug abusers, he believes, the patients' problems with depression or severe anxiety lead them to alcohol

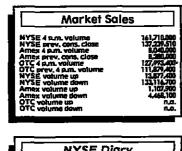
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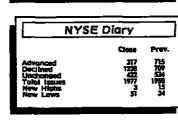
> In the research, carefully chosen patients are given imipramine, a widely used anti-depression drug. The objective is to see if the medication helps reduce the patients' addictions to drugs or alcohol. The medication would not be expected to help patients in whom the drug or alcohol abuse was the primary oblem, but the treatment theory is that it should help the subgroup.

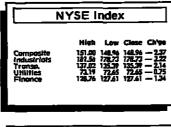
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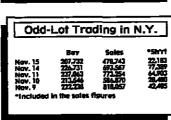
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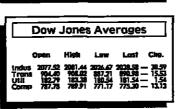


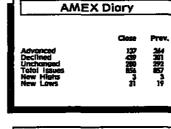




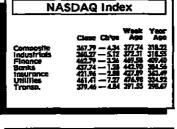


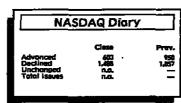


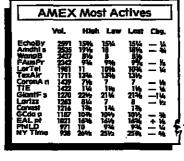












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NYSE Slides After Trade News

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12.09 points Tuesday, plunged 38.59, to 2.038.58.

Declines trounced advances by a 4-1 margin. Big Board volume totaled 161.71 million shares, up from 115.17 million traded on Tuesday.

Broad-market indexes also slumped. The New York Stock Exchange index dropped 2.37, to 148.96. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index

to 148.96. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 4.52, closing at 263.82. The price of an average share lost 49 cents.

Before the market opened, the Commerce Department reported the U.S. merchandise trade deficit dropped to \$10.5 billion in September, down nearly \$2 billion from August and in line with economists' expectations. Imports fell 2.8 percent from August, while exports rose 2.6.

line with economists' expectations. Imports fell 2.8 percent from August, while exports rose 2.6 percent to a record \$28.2 billion.

Hugh Johnson, head of the investment policy committee at First Albany Coxp., said that although the trade deficit declined in September, many on Wall Street were uncomfortable with the report.

The \$10.5 billion level "is still higher than people had been bargaining for," said Mr. Johnson, who said he had expected the figure to be around \$9.5 billion. "Also, these are September numbers. And you don't push the stock market

numbers. And you don't push the stock market by driving with a rear-view mirror," he said. He said the market was mainly pressured by the recent softening of the dollar and lower lost 13 cents.

NEW YORK — Stock prices plunged on the New York Stock Exchange in moderate trading Wednesday, as the market's concerns about the economy were unassuaged by the record of a state of the st

the same, but they could go slightly higher," Mr. Analysts said comments made Wednesday by Alan Greenspan, the Federal Reserve Board chairman added to the market's concerns. He

told the National Economic Commission that monetary policy would have to remain tight if large federal budget deficits persisted.

Earlier in Tokyo, stock prices moved to record highs. The Nikkei average of 225 stocks surpassed the Tuesday record with a climb of 166.71 points, to 28,996.12. The gauge briefly climbed past the 29,000 level early in the session.

Brokers said buying enthusiasm was trig-gered by gains in other countries on Tuesday and strength in the dollar against the yea. The trading took place before the U.S. trade report was released.

On the Big Board, RJR Nabisco was the most active issue, off 4%, to 84, after Forstmann Little said it would not make a takeover offer for the tobacco and food giant.

International Multifoods followed, off %, to 30%. Exxon was third, off 1%, to 41.

AT&T was off %, to 27%. IBM was off 2, to 1151/2. General Electric was off 1%, to 42%, and Sears fell 1%, to 40.

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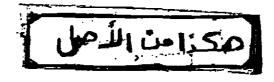
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Cost-Cutting Bears Fruit, and New Models Are Coming

Costs Are Down . . .

An Upturn Begins at G.M.

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For Foreign Executives, U.S. Visas Harder to Get

By SHERRY BUCHANAN

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EW YORK - New U.S. regulations are making it more difficult for American multinational companies to transfer their foreign executives back to U.S. headquarters and for foreign multinationals to move their executives to their subsidiaries in the United States.
One year after enactment of the 1987 regulations of the U.S.

humigration and Naturalization Service, a branch of the Department of Justice, the new rules have made it tougher for multinationals to prove that an employee is a manager or an executive and so eligible for an L1 visa, the temporary, intracompany

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"In the past, as long as a person just managed a function without supervising individ-

uals, that was enough," said Ronald Tekely, head of immi-gration services for Westinghouse Electric Corp. "Now you have to prove that the person supervises and man-ages professionals." This, he said, "has had a negative effect on the number of key managers we can bring from our subsidiaries" abroad.

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Mr. Tekely now has to inform U.S. authorities of the academic qualifications of the people the foreign executive will be supervising to prove they are professionals. A first-line supervisor, meaning one who oversees ordinary employees rather than other managers, is not considered to be a manager, nor is a sales

representative who does not oversee anybody.

The immigration service and the multinational business lobby agreed that Congress would have to make some changes. One immigration service proposal is to increase the legal immigration quota for "professionals" as opposed to managers.

The immigration service, in any case, wants to keep people out who are not vital to a company's operations and who could be taking away jobs from Americans. A 1988 study by the management consulting from Roce. Allen & Hemilton Inc. found evidence of the control of

ment consulting firm Booz, Allen & Hamilton Inc. found evidence that small concerns, those with 10 or fewer employees, were abusing the system by transferring foreigners as first-line supervisors or in nonmanagerial positions that did not require specific

expertise.

"If the employee is doing everything from washing windows to turning the lights on in the morning, then he or she is not an executive," says Lawrence Weinig, the immigration service's deputy assistant commissioner for adjudication.

But MULTINATIONALS and industry representatives argue that the immigration service's definition of a manager is outdated, and that employees who have high salaries and a high degree of responsibility are managers even if they do

not oversee a large number of other managers or professionals.

"Where we have had the greatest difficulty is trying to transfer highly specialized, highly paid Canadian executives from our world headquarters in Montreal to U.S. headquarters in Cleveland when we want to bring them in, for instance, to decide whether or not we should be setting up a new business venture," said Candace Kortovich, corporate personnel administrator for Alcan Aluminum Corp., the U.S. subsidiary of Alcan Aluminum Ltd. "These executives work with the existing marketing and

finance staff but do not physically have a staff of their own."

For example, Alcan's U.S. headquarters wanted to bring in a Canadian executive to set up the same strict product safety program already in force in Canada. He was refused the L1 visa because he would not be overseeing a large enough number of managers. As a result, it took Alcan twice as long to introduce the safety program having to rely on frequent travel and long-

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Willired Race, head of immigration services for Eastman See VISAS, Page 15

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Read All About It: Izvestia Set to Try Western Advertising

By Celestine Bohlen

New York Times Service NEW YORK — Starting next year, the 10.5 million readers of the Soviet government daily newspaper Izvestia will open their Tuesday papers to find a special supplement featuring Western advertisements for Western goods.

Izvestia will become the first major Soviet newspaper to try to put foreign businesses in touch with the Soviet market, following up on new joint-venture laws introduced by President Mikhail S.

Western ads already appear in such smaller publications as Moscow News, a weekly aimed largely at foreign readers. But Izvestia, an eight-page paper filled with official reading for government bureaucrats, factory managers and others, is

Operating

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Inflation May Be

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Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

that the robust U.S. economy may

be approaching an inflationary lev-el of growth, the Federal Reserve

Board reported Wednesday that

the industrial operating rate in Oc-tober rose to its highest level in more than eight years. The central bank said that U.S.

factories, mines and utilities oper-

ated at 84 percent of their capacity

last month, up 0.2 percentage point from the revised September rate and the highest level since Febru-ary 1980. The Fed previously re-

ported the September rate at 83.6

Most economists consider an op-

erating rate of about 83.6 percent

to be the threshold for inflationary

pressure, the point at which U.S.

industries will have to start paying

more for scarce labor and materials to meet their production schedules.

port released Wednesday suggested

that much of the nation's increased

factory output is winding up in

The Commerce Department said

that inventories held on shelves and

backlots rose 0.7 percent in Sep-tember, to a seasonally adjusted

\$749.4 billion, while retail sales re-

mained virtually unchanged, at

The September inventory in-crease followed a large 1.1 percent

gain in August and a 0.7 percent rise in July. The last decline was in

The combination of rising inven-

tories and flat sales is a sign of

economic weakness. If the trend

continued, it could lead to fewer

orders from retailers, so they could sell off their backlogs of goods, and

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The overall increase in the oper-

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An advance estimate of retail sales for October, released Tuesday, showed a strong 0.9 percent gain, evidence that the accumula-

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WASHINGTON - In a sign

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goods in Soviet shops is still tightly con-trolled, there is little chance that Izvestia readers will be tempted by the full-page

businesses, and he described the initial response as "tremendous."

Most of the advertisements are likely to be aimed at those Soviet companies that are now allowed to accumulate hard currency and that are looking for ways to spend it wisely.

Since the distribution of Western

spreads of high fashions at low prices. "We are not going to be advertising Mercedes-Benzes," said Alexander Shal-ney, New York bureau chief for Izvestia. Mr. Shalney said that a letter soliciting the ads was being distributed among U.S.

You could figure that a lot of Ameri-

By John Holusha

New York Times Service
DETROIT --- When General

Motors Corp. reported in late

October that third-quarter earn-

ings were 51.4 percent higher than in the adjusted quarter a year earlier, the first reaction of

many people was a question: Had GM, after years of sliding

sales, internal turmoil, and lack-

luster products, finally turned

The answer appears to be a

Although car sales are still weak, sales in the increasingly

important light-truck market

have been strong all year.

More important, the effects of

fewer incentives for buyers, high-

er prices and a two-year cost-cutting campaign finally seem to be flowing to the bottom line.

Even though the company still

badly needs some hot-selling car

models to convince investors and

the public that it has regained its feel for the U.S. automobile mar-

ket, many analysts and industry

watchers said they felt the ele-ments for financial recovery

"My personal view is that the

recovery will come so fast it will

take people by surprise," said Charles Brady, an analyst with Oppenheimer & Co. "They are following in the footsteps of

Ford by first getting their costs under control. Now they need

some products people can get

The company's progress has not gone unnoticed, with GM's

stock rising more than 30 percent

this year. Its shares ended

Wednesday at \$79.25 on the New

York Stock Exchange, down

that it had earned \$2.46 a share

in the quarter, greatly exceeding

the financial community's con-

sensus forecast of about \$1.40,

analysts immediately dissected

the numbers to see if some un-

usual factors or accounting wiz-

that the company got big lifts

from its European operations — although it does not break out

those earnings separately - and

from higher truck sales, that its

2.9 percent price increase on

The general conclusion

ardry were responsible.

When GM reported on Oct. 27

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were in place.

You could figure that a lot of American corporations would

be interested in what we have to offer. Alexander Shalney,

New York bureau chief for Izvestia.

can corporations would be interested in what we have to offer," he said. Demand was so great that copies of the first letter, which begins "Dear Business Friends,"

After years of troubles, the General Motors Corporation reported

... Profits Are Up . . .

ran out at a meeting this week, and more

had to be made on the spot, he added. For Izvestia, the advertisements will help in the transition to "self-accounting," the new Soviet economic principle that makes state-owned enterprises self-

The newspaper, which ranks after the Communist Parry newspaper Prayda as must reading for Soviet officials, is also looking for hard currency, Mr. Shalnev said, to modernize its equipment

According to Mr. Shainev, Izvestia will be allowed to keep 70 percent of its profit from the supplement. The remainder will

go to the government.

/ One-quarter of the new supplement will be reserved for advertising by Soviet min-

istries, enterprises and stores, he added. On a per-reader basis, the rates now offered by Izvestia — \$50,000 a page — are drastically lower than those offered by 11.8 by U.S. newspapers. But comparisons between U.S. and So-

viet newspapers are specious.

No U.S. newspaper has any claim to
the kind of circulation that Izvestia has,

although U.S. consumers have a higher proportion of disposable income and wider range of choice of goods. The Wall Street Journal, with a circulation of 1.6 million, charges \$109,000 for a

full-page advertisement, while USA Today, with 1.3 million readers, charges \$38,178 for a one page black-and-white advertisement.

The industry measure, calculated in cost per thousand readers, is \$55.70 at The Wall Street Journal, and \$28.83 at USA Today. The Izvestia rate would

GEC, Siemens In £1.7 Billion **Bid for Plessey**

International Heruld Tribune
LONDON — General Electric Co. of Britain and Siemens AG of West Germany said Wednesday that they were making a joint, un-solicited cash offer for Plessey Co., a major British telecommi tions and electronics group. The bid was for 225 pence a share, or about £1.7 billion (\$3.1 billion).

But Plessey rejected the bid and recommended to its shareholders that they take no action. If successful, the takeover would

create a major European-based telecommunication giant to compete with North American, Japanese and Scandinavian companies. For Siemens, analysts said the move would offer access to Britain's large market of military con-

tracts, where the Ministry of Defense is seeking to diversify Siemens and General Electric both cited the need for ambitious, cross-border alliances as the Euro-

pean Community nears its 1992 deadline for an integrated market. Karlheinz Kaske, chairman of Siemens, said Wednesday at a news conference in London that GEC and Siemens would gain strength

by joining forces.

Mr. Kaske said that he and Lord Weinstock, managing director of GEC, had not been in touch with their respective regulatory authori-

ties about the antitrust dimension of the proposed takeover. believe that the offer, which has been under discussion for a number of months, had been privately presented to antitrust officials in

both countries because of its potential gravity in the market. Brian Newman, industry analyst with Chase Manhattan Securities in London, said that he believed that the offer had been structured

to circumvent concerns by British antitrust officials about market shares in the defense sector. "GEC and Siemens will retain

separately operating defense operations," he said, noting that Sie-

Early Trading Boosted Shares

LONDON - Sources close to the London Stock Exchange said Wednesday that it would investigate abnormally heavy trading in Plessey shares prior to the £1.7 billion (\$3.1 billion) takeover bid by General Electric and Siemens.

But the exchange declined to confirm whether it was conducting an investigation. Ru-mors that GE and Siemens would launch a bid began circulating Tuesday, and by the close of trading more than 15 million Plessey shares changed hands. On Tuesday, Plessey shares closed at 175 pence, up 10 pence. Wednesday, the issue gained 49 pence, to 224.

sey as Britain's third largest defense contractor, after General Electric's Marconi division and British Aerospace Co.

At present, Siemens and General Electric work together on electrical lamps and lighting equipment through the joint venture OSRAM-GEC Ltd.

The offer reflects a 28 percent premium to Plessey's closing share price on Tuesday on the London Stock Exchange

GEC, which is not associated with the U.S. company of the same name, was thwarted in an earlier attempt to acquire Plessey in 1985. The British Monopolies and Mergers Commission ruled in August 1986 that the merger of Britain's second and third largest military contractors would stifle competition in the domestic market.

But the commission encouraged the two companies to combine their telecommunication divisions. which they did in March by forming a joint venture. GEC Plessey

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Per vehicle, in thousands of dollars, for the third quarter of each year. Per vehicle, in hundreds of dollars, for the third quarter of each year. . . And the Market Reacts Favorably Daily close on the New York Stock Exchange since Jan. 1. Source Kraght Radier Tradecente

models had largely been accepted and that it was operating its factories and offices more

efficiently than in the past. GM has not brought out any highly successful products to compare with Ford's Taurus and Sable midsize cars, but its new full-size pickup truck has been selling briskly and it has an array

market. Editors of automotive publica-

of the 1989 Chevrolet Corvette, of new car models coming to

tions said these newer models were a solution to the "look-alike car" problem that depressed GM sales throughout the mid-1980s.

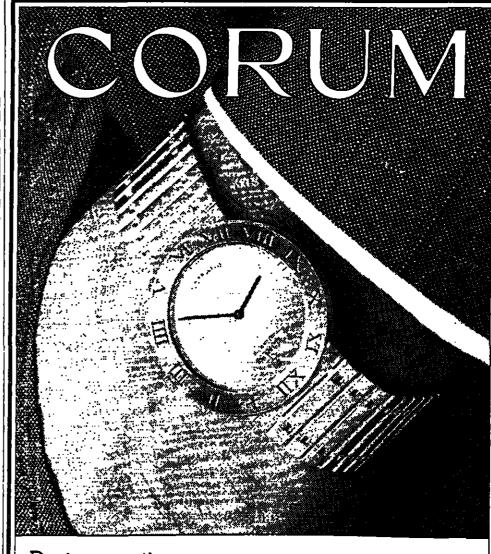
generally were attractive and well-equipped.

The company, after painfully shrinking the size of its cars for most of the decade to improve fuel economy, is now trying to add some sparkle to its lineup. For example, the ZR1 version

with a 385-horsepower engine, probably will be the world's fastest production car at its scheduled introduction next year. The number of ZRIs sold is expected to be small, but GM

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mens in effect would replace Ples-



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Greenspan Says Deficit Is Gnawing at Economy Greenspan said. The result would likely mean higher interest rates. WASHINGTON

Greenspan, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, on Wednesday urged Congress and the White House to cut the huge U.S. budget deficit, which he said was slowly destroying the American economy.

"Such large and persistent defi-cits are slowly but inexorably dam-

aging the economy," Mr. Greenspan told the National Economic Commission, a bipartisan panel charged with recommending ways to reduce the federal deficit. He said the need for cuts was becoming more pressing.

"If we do not act promptly, the imbalances in the economy are such that the effects of the deficit will be increasingly felt and with some immediacy." Mr. Greenspan

President-elect George Bush has suggested reducing the budget deficit by freezing spending at current levels after allowing for inflation, and by encouraging economic growth, which would increase tax

But Mr. Greenspan said growth alone would not be sufficient and real spending cuts were needed. "I think one must approach the issue in terms of reducing the deficit directly and not hope that it will go away," he told the panel. The financial markets also are

The deficit is expected to be more than \$145 billion this year. Failure to reduce the deficit will

worried about the deficit, which

totaled \$155 billion in the 1988

fiscal year, which ended Sept. 30.

The full impact of persistently

high budget deficits has yet to be felt by Americans, he said, because the U.S. economy has been growing at less than its full potential and high inflows of foreign capital have muted the impact.

"By now, however, the slack in

the U.S. economy has contracted substantially. And it has become increasingly clear that reliance on foreign sources of funds is not possible or desirable over extended periods," Mr. Greenspan said.

In the short run, the Fed can hold down rates by accommodating the excess demand for money through a more expansionary monetary policy, he said.

"But this will only engender an acceleration of inflation and, ultimately, will have little, if any, effect on the allocation of real resources between the private and public sectors," he said.

Mr. Greenspan said legislators should emphasize spending cuts rather than tax increases. "We are more likely to be successful on the expenditure side than on the revenue side," he said. In prior testimony to Congress,

increase in gasoline tax. The Fed chairman's remarks added to the gloom in the stock and bond markets, which fell on Wednesday. One commission member, Felix

Mr. Greenspan recommended an

Rohalyn of Lazard Frères & Co., the investment banking firm, said put pressure on credit markets as foreign investors were concerned the government competes with pri-that the deficit-reduction talks vate businesses for money, Mr. might end in a deadlock.

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Portugal Creates Panel

On Market Deregulation LISBON — Portugal set up a national board on Tuesday to look into deregulating its stock markets and named the president of the Oporto

exchange as its chairman.

The Finance Ministry said that João Veige Anjos would act as president of both the Oporto and Lisbon stock exchanges for six months.

The president of the Lisbon market, Alvaro Damaso, resigned recently after barely a year on the job to take up a regional government the Arguest. post in the Azores.

Mr. Veiga Anjos is a respected entrepreneur from the industrial north who has promoted the

from the industrial north who has promoted the Oporto market, which has about 110 quoted companies to Lisbon's 150.

The statement said Mr. Veiga Anjos would head a commission that would look at "legislative measures that would allow privatization of the markets and continually changing prices."

The stock markets are heavily regulated Only one price is given each day after all the buyers and sellers are matched up.

The board would also study ways of coordinating trading on the Lisbon and Oporto mar-

nating trading on the Lisbon and Oporto mar-kets. The measures were expected to come into effect in the first half of 1989, it added. Lisbon's Banco Totta e Acores index closed on Tuesday at 2,538.8. It had touched a yearly low of 2,148.0 on Oct. 21. The index was over 6,800 before the October 1987 collapse.

The price of RJR Nabisco stock

In a brief statement, the invest-

Britain Sets

Revisions of

Broker Rules

LONDON - British au-

thorities announced measures

Wednesday designed to soothe the hostility of its financial

services industry to the regula-

tory regime imposed in April. The British trade secretary,

Lord Young, said the govern-

ment plans to repeal a section

of the Financial Services Act

that gives professional inves-tors the automatic right to sue

investment firms that break

He said the right to sue

could lead to an excessively

litigious approach in the fi-nancial markets." The right to

sue, however, will still be avail-

Meanwhile, the Securities

and Investments Board pub-

lished a simplified version of its

David Walker, chairman of

the board, said the rules were

aimed at setting out the overall

principles firms are expected to

follow, and away from excessively legalistic regulations.

Texaco's 1984 acquisition of Getty

"We have been in the business

equivalent of a war for a while," James W. Kinnear, Texaco's chair-

man, told the analysts at company

Mr. Kinnear likened the compa-

by's experience in the legal dispute, which it settled with a \$3 billion

payment to Pennzoil, to undressing in Macy's window on the day

Putting the company's past

executives discussed Texaco's busi-

ness operations around the world.

emphasizing efficiency, competi-tiveness and profitability, rather

"We're in business to build

shareholder value," said James L. Dunlap, president of Texaco USA,

a major division of the company.
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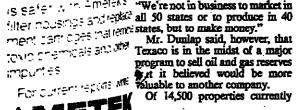
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Exchange Rates Limit C&W to a 20% Profit Rise

LONDON — Cable & Wireless PLC, the British telecommunications company with large holdings in Asia, said Wednesday that pretax profit in the first half of its financial year rose 20 percent and that the gain was limited by currency fluctuations.

The company said pretax profit in the six months through Sept. 30 was £198 million (\$357.8 million at the current exchange rate), up from £165 million in the corresponding period a year earlier. Rod Olsen, finance director,

said weakness in the dollar, to which many Asian and Pacific currencies are pegged, reduced Cable & Wireless's income by £19 million from the level that would have been reported if the rate had remained at the \$1.63 per pound used in the previous year. Instead, he said, the pound rose to \$1.78.

The company said £293 mil-lion, or 42.4 percent, of its £509 million in first-half sales were in Asia and the Pacific. The Western Hemisphere accounted for £126 million, Britain, £74 million, and the Middle East, Indian Ocean and Africa, £26 million. In the year-earlier six-month period, revenue was £467 million.

Forstmann, Little Will Not Bid for RJR Nabisco

Compiled by Our Staff From Daparches teria, it will not submit a proposal." NEW YORK - An investment But some analysts and arbitraggroup led by Forstmann, Little & ers said they believed that Forst-Co has scrapped a plan to enter the mann, Little had changed its plan high-stakes bidding for RJR Na-bisco Inc., it said Wednesday, mounting political concerns about mounting political concerns about leveraged buyouts. prompting a heavy sell-off in the obsecto and food company's stock

Forstmann, Little's withdrawal leaves two contenders, both of whom have offered more than \$20 billion for RJR Nabisco: a group led by RJR Nabisco management, backed by the Wall Street firms Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc. and Salomon Brothers Inc.; and the investment firm Kohlberg, Kravis, Roberts & Co. Analysts said that Forstmann, Little's decision not to enter the bidding made it more likely that

a whole. Neal Kaplan, an analyst who fol-

lows RJR Nabisco for Interstate Johnson-Lane in Charlotte, North Carolina, said that if the two bids were not revised, then the board would not accept either one and sell off parts of the company itself. A spokeswoman for RJR Na-

Austria Begins Privatization Of State Electricity Concern

held, he said, 5,000 do not meet the ducing properties in scattered loca-

VIENNA - The Austrian government began an important test of its privatization program Wednes-day with the announcement of details on the sale of its electricity supply company, Oesterreichische Elekrizitätswirtschafts AG.

Economics Minister Robert Graf said at a news conference that shares in the state utility would go on sale for 365 schillings (\$29.72) each in the biggest flotation in the history of the Vienna Bourse.

If fully subscribed, the offering of a 49 percent stake in the utility would raise 5.5 billion schillings, and would be the country's third major industrial privatization. The sale is to begin Monday and

run through Nov. 25. Trading in the shares is set to start Dec. 6. With investors paying for the shares in three stages, the government will have to wait until 1990 before it nets the full proceeds of

The privatization program, begun last year by the coalition of Socialists and Mr. Graf's conservative People's Party, has been beset with problems as investors failed to rush to the stock market. The flotation last November of

company's criteria for profitability.

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worth of oil and gas reserves are to be sold, he said. When Texaco

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The company sold 418 properties last year. It expects to sell 1,400 this

the state oil company, OMV AG, had to be cut from a 25 percent stake to 15 percent as markets recled under the effect of the collapse of stock prices the previous month. Its share price on the Vienna Bourse has remained below the issue price for months.

Shares in Austrian Airlines have also performed poorly since a 24.2 percent stake was sold in May.

But Karl Pale, chairman of Girozentrale und Bank der Oesterreichischen Sparkassen AG, which is managing the issue, said he believed that the sale of the electricity company would be different.

"There is very lively demand," he said, adding that he expected an oversubscription early next week. Managers hope to attract 100,000 new investors, for a total of about 250,000 shareholders.

So far the government has sold off stakes only in profitable firms. But most of Austria's state industry is still losing money, and it will be some years before investors could be willing to buy shares in such companies as Voest-Alpine AG, the steel giant, or Chemie Linz AG,

tions, the company could cut its

Texaco is doing better than in

previous years in replacing oil and

gas reserves as it pumps petroleum from the ground, Mr. Dunlap said.

Additions to reserves this year

are in the range of 180 million to

240 million barrels, or 60 percent to

80 percent of production. Still,

"our goal is not to replace re-serves," he said. "Our goal is to

Texaco's increased concern with

profitability and the effective de-

ployment of capital was why the

company chose to sell its West German subsidiary, Deutsche Texaco A.G., said Paul B. Hicks Jr., the

ead of Texaco Europe.

The subsidiary, which brought

\$1.27 billion in June in a sale to a West German electric utility,

Rheinisch-Westfalisches Elektrizi-

tatswerk AG, had been returning

only 4.2 percent on the company's

Texaco executives also said the company's debt, swollen by the set-tlement with Pennzoil and pay-

ments to the Department of Energy at the conclusion of the bankruptcy

proceedings in the spring, would be cut by \$900 million by the end of

the year, putting it at about 58

In response to an analyst's question, company officials also dis-

and Kuwait are possible buyers,

its constructive effect," said Kurt

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Analysts said the bid for Plessey

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rope from 1992. But the price is too

made sense, particularly for Gener-

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About 40 million barrels has al- cussed the possibility of selling all

The pace of sales will be contingent in the Netherlands.

On price, he said, adding that the company is pleased with the average of \$4.76 a barrel with Texaco in the United States,

At that price, however, the sale, analysts said.

of the initial 60 million barrels would bring less than the \$300 mil-

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Analysts said that by selling pro- Wulff of McDep Associates.

PLESSEY: Hostile Bid Launched

(Continued from first finance page) GEC said: "Unless EC companies

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Work together to make the most of available European resources, they increasingly risk dependence on U.S. and Japanese technology to

For the British government, £1.4 billion in cash reserves.

mote deregulated markets in Eu- tan said: "This is great news for

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tary player in its own right or He said that, "any agreed bid

In a statement. Siemens and was lifted to 275 pence per share."

bisco said Wednesday the company had no comment about the decision by Forstmann, Little.

Executives of Forstmann, Little declined to elaborate on their state-RJR Nabisco would not be sold as ment. The investment group, which earlier this month said it might top the other bids for RJR Nabisco. also included Procter & Gamble Co., Ralston Purina Co., Castle & Cooke Inc. and Goldman, Sachs &

> When the group announced that it might make a bid for RJR Nabisco, it raised the ire of the RJR Nabisco management group, which carlier had held preliminary talks about joining forces with Forstmann, Little.

The management group, led by the chief executive officer of RJR Nabisco, F. Ross Johnson, has proposed to buy the concern for \$92 a share, or \$20.7 billion. Kohlberg Kravis has bid \$90 a share, or \$20.3 billion the company.

RJR Nabisco, based in Atlanta makes a variety of popular con-sumer goods, including Winston, Camel and Salem cigarettes, Ritz crackers and Oreo cookies.

Last week, analysts said the bidding contest for RJR Nabisco could escalate beyond \$23 billion, amid expectations that new bidders would emerge.

A special RJR Nabisco commit-

tee has issued a set of guidelines for competing bidders in the sale, which would be the biggest corporate transaction in history. Under the guidelines, offers for the company will be accepted until Friday.

"Any proposal should reflect the purchaser's highest offer," said a document outlining the rules and procedures for acquisition of the iant concern

The RJR Nabisco management group stunned the financial world late last month by disclosing its intention to acquire the company in a leveraged buyont. The size, complexity and enormous debt load of such a transaction have raised concerns about the use of borrowed money to finance corpo-(AP, Reuters) rate takeovers.

Most Macmillan Executives To Remain Under Maxwell

NEW YORK - Twenty-six of Macmillan Inc.'s 31 senior executives have agreed to remain with the company after its acquisition by Maxwell Communication Corp. earlier this month. These include William Reilly, president and chief operating offi-

cer, who was recently named to the reconstituted board. The executives who elected to remain voluntarily gave up their entitlement to benefits or payments totaling \$21 million. They have arranged new employment contracts with Macmillan.

The announcement was made Monday by the Macmillan chairman, Robert Maxwell, who acquired the publishing and information

company for about \$2.5 billion after a prolonged fight.

In a prepared statement, Mr. Maxwell said, "I believe that everyone who works at Macmillan, as well as our authors, customers and suppliers, will be delighted to know that the key management team, who have built such a successful company, are remaining to help run the business."

In a related development, Kevin Maxwell, son of the chairman, was named vice chairman and deputy chief executive of Macmillan. He will be responsible for integrating Pergamon Publishing Corp. into Macmillan. Pergamon is a subsidiary of the British Printing & Communication Corp., which is controlled by Robert Maxwell.

Sony Profit Surges 118%, Aided by Japanese Growth the time, making overseas sales more profitable, analysts said.

TOKYO --- Sony Corp., the con-The six-month results were also sumer electronics giant, said curhelped by a record level of sales in rent profit in the six months ended the latest quarter, which totaled Sept. 30 rose 118 percent, to 31.25 billion yen (\$252.7 million), from 84.92 billion yen after Sony ac-14.31 billion yen a year earlier, aidquired CBS Records group of the United States. The sale dramaticaled by strong growth in Japan and a ly improved sales of records and weaker-than-expected yen.

The parent company's net profit in the half rose 22.8 percent, to 19.30 billion yen, or 70.50 yen per share. A year earlier, parent net profit was 14.98 billion yen, or 63.86 yen a share.

Sales rose to 589.19 billion yen from 474.40 billion, while operat-

ing profit jumped to 22.92 billion yen from 1.79 billion.

Sony benefited from strong economic growth in Japan and a weak-

French military projects. Thomson-CSF, a unit of Thomson SA, had net

profit of 2.60 billion francs last year

on revenue of 35.88 billion francs.

In October, Lucas Industries re-

the total sales in the period. Sony's exports to the United States rose 39.4 percent in the quarter from a year earlier, to 153.48 billion yen, while exports to Europe jumped 54.1 percent, to 117.16 billion yen. The group posted a 7.02

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Sales improved for all main

products - video and audio equip-

ment and television sets - after

two years of lower profits due to a

Group exports in the second

quarter rose 48.4 percent from a year earlier, to 355.04 billion yen,

and accounted for 67.2 percent of

billion yen exchange loss in the quarter, up from a 469 million yen es a year earlier. Given the strong results, Sony said it expected current, or pretax, profit to rise to 70 billion yen in the year ending March 31. Earlier, the year ending March 31. Earner, the company projected 65 billion yen, managing director Sunao Hashi-moto said. Last year, the company had current profit of 43.41 billion

Parent net profit for the year is expected to rise to more than the 40 billion yen forecast earlier. Last year, parent net profit totaled 30.68 billion. Sony said it expected group net profit in the year to rise to 60 billion yea, unchanged from its earlier forecast and up from 36.73 bil-

lion in the past fiscal year. Sales are expected to total 1.20 trillion yen, up from a previously forecast 1.18 trillion and higher than the 1.03 trillion last year.

Analysts said the long-term outlook for the company depends on the yen and the strength of the U.S.

er-than-expected yen for most of Thomson-CSF and Lucas to End Venture

PARIS - Thomson-CSF, the French electronics and armaments company, and Lucas Industries PLC, the British aerospace and car parts concern, said Wednesday that they would terminate their

joint venture, begun in 1973. The companies said Thomson-CSF would take control of two of the joint venture's three units. Auxilec SA, which makes generators, and ABG-SEMCA SA, which produces air-conditioning and pressurization systems. The move is in line with Thomson's plans to concentrate on its arms and electronics

Lucas, through its French unit Lucas France SA, will take over cockpit equipment maker Bronzavia/Air Equipement SA.

activities

The restructuring, subject to approval by the French government, is to take place in January, the

Revenue for the three units in

(\$218 million), a spokesman for Thomson-CSF said. A spokesman for Lucas said in

1987 was about 1.3 billion francs

London that there would be no financial exchange between the two companies, although Lucas would assume certain assets and £20 million (\$36.2 million) of borrowings of Bronzavia.

Brouzavia, with annual revenue of about £70 million, is involved in the Airbus Industrie A-320 and

China Steelmaker Buys Idled Works in France

Agence France-Press TOULON, France - The Beijing-based steelmaker Lian Yuan Steel & Iron Co. has purchased an idle steelworks near this Mediterranean port that it plans to dismantle and rebuild in China, sources close

to the deal said Wednesday.

ported a 28 percent rise in pretax profit, to £146.3 million for the year that ended July 31. But the company said a loss of nearly £7 million on related companies was almost en-tirely due to its units in France managed by Thomson-CSF.

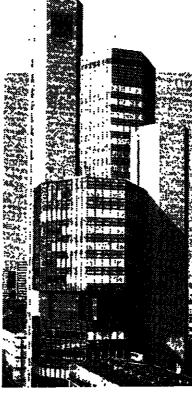
Lucas said in a statement on that its joint-venture with Thomson-CSF went into deficit 18 months ago, because of poor sales of French military aircraft, notably the Mirage fighter made by Avions Marcel Dassault-Bréguet Aviation SA.

Lucas said the combined companies had been dependent on military projects for more than half of their 1987-1988 revenue. Bronzavia, however, was much

less dependent on military work, and Lucas said it was confident the unit could be profitable.

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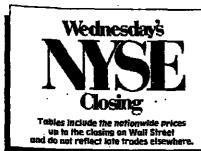
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William Cagney, executive director of the immigration committee of the National Foreign Trade Council in New York, said a typical example is the manager of exploration for an on company, who is working at headquarters and only has one secretary and is communicating with production workers on drilling rigs. Mr. Cagney is lobbying the immigration service to relax some of its regulations.

American Immigration Lawyers' Association said, "An individual who heads the small U.S. operation Kodak Co., said, "A manager may who heads the small U.S. operation be responsible for millions of dol-According to the study by Booz,

Allen & Hamilton, the immigration service admitted 16,440 foreign managers under L1 visas in 1986 to the nine U.S. states with the highest number of foreign executives. This increased to 17,707 in 1987. Proponents of the tightened regulations said this showed that bona fide managers were still getting in. Opponents said international business has increased faster than the number of foreign executives being ad-Daryl R. Buffenstein of the

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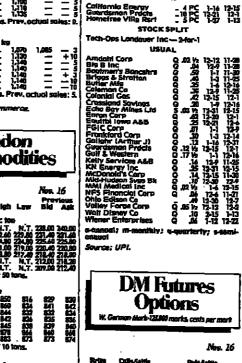
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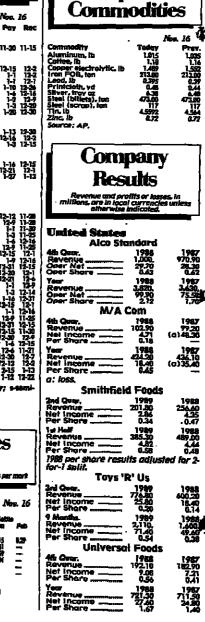
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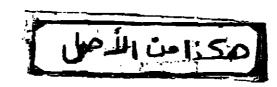
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GM: Cost-Cutting and Higher Prices Bear Fruit, and New Models Are Coming

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The ZR1 meets all government emissions and mileage standards. By contrast, most high-periormance imports must pay a tax because of their poor five economy. GM is also developing more powerful engines and adding elec-

tronic features, like controls that are operated by touching a screen. During the next few years, GM is expected to introduce a frontwheel-drive van with a plastic skin to compete with the Chrysler Corp.'s successful mini-vans. It also will add technical improvements like active suspensions and traction control to selected models.

Strong demand for the new models would help GM's financial performance not only through added sales volume but also by reducing the need for expensive incentives. Heavy use of sales incentives has not prevented GM's market share from declining to about 35 percent,

Some of the company's most important model lines, such as the smaller Buick Riviera, Oldsmobile Toronado, and Cadiliac Eldorado. were market failures. But market share appears to be stabilizing at the current level and new products

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A key to the surprising third-quarter results was improved cost liely disclose figures. quarter results was improved cost control, said Ronald Glantz, an analyst at Montgomery Securities

"GM's cost of goods sold was down \$283 a unit, while Ford and Chrysler were up," he said. "They appear to have gotten some genu-ine reductions in the cost of purchased components."

GM has been putting pressure on its outside suppliers to hold down prices, and it has sought to lower labor costs per part at its own components division under the provisions of the 1987 contract with the United Automobile Work-

The union agreed to cooperate in reducing labor costs in return for a company pledge not to close parts plants as it had planned.

In addition, some of GM's multioillion-dollar investment in new plants and equipment appears to be paying off.

It came took up to: 12 hours to change the huge dies that crunch out steel body panels in metalstamping plants, for example, but die changes now take minutes, thanks to new equipment and procedures. Faster die changes mean increased productivity.

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Automobile companies make an assumption, based on their internal quality data, of what the future cost will be to repair cars under warran-

"It's a guess, but I'd say about two-thirds of the reduction was costs and one-third better warran-' Mr. Glantz said.

If that is the case, GM executives must be feeling confident about the quality of their new cars. The company recently announced a three-year, 30,000-mile comprehensive warranty on 1989 models, Previous warranties covered the whole car for one year or 12,000 miles, with extended coverage for only the en-

Reducing the reserve for warran-ty costs while broadening coverage may be a good indication of what the company has achieved in improving quality.

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Analysts were divided over whether the improved cost situation was permanent.

GM contends that the improved has eliminated almost 40,000 white-collar jobs since early 1987.

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Some analysts have noted that GM's third quarter benefited from a lack of heavy start-up expenses usually associated with new models. Lust year, the company was introducing its GM-10 midsize cars and the new pickup truck. This year's new models are simple modi-

fications of existing lines. There are also suggestions that GM packed a lot of good news in one quarter by building vehicles at a faster rate than the market can absorb.

Auto companies book revenue when a car is shipped to a dealer. not when it is sold to a retail pur-

"They are building and shipping a lot of cars and trucks, and inver tories are building," said David Healy of Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. "At some point, they will have to cut prices and give back some of the super earnings of the third

But there is no unanimity on the outlook for GM.

Arthur G. Davis, of Prescott, Ball & Turben, whose third-quarter estimate of \$2.25 a share was close performance is largely the result of an extensive cost-cutting effort that saw nothing but good times ahead. He predicted the automaker would earn \$12.50 a share this year The company has also evidently In the first three quarters of 1988, and said a "lean and mean" GM is given signals to the financial comthe company said, costs were repoised to go higher in subsequent years.

Chip Downturn Not Seen in Kyocera Trend

TOKYO - Kyocera Corp. said Wednesday that its net profit for financial 1988-89 would be lower than it had previously forecast. But industry analysts said the revision reflected Kyocera's problems and currency factors more than a slump in world demand for semiconductors.

Kyocera, the world's largest maker of ceramic packages for integrated circuits, said it expected parent net profit in the year ending March 31, 1989, to be 24.22 billion ven (\$196.3 million), down from an earlier forecast of 25,20 billion.

Kyocera earned 19.88 billion yen in the 1987-88 year, so the new forecast would represent a 21.8 percent gain in profit.

A statement issued by the company attributed the lowered forecast to reduced semiconductor demand because of a slowdown in the personal computer market in the United States. The company also mentioned its concern over a possible strengthening of the yen.

This will "add fuel to the fire that there is a downturn" in semiconductors, said Peter Wolff, industry analyst at Prudential-Bache Securities

(Japan) Ltd. "But on closer examination, I don't think this is the end."

Some officials in the U.S. chip industry have expressed concern that growth would slow next year. Some also are worried that Japan's chip

makers, which plan hefty increases in capital spending this year, might create excess capacity.

But analysts cautioned against drawing conclusions about the chip industry as a whole from the

ceramic package-maker's lower forecast.

"Kyocera is a special case because its products are used primarily by manufacturers of microprocessors, and demand for microprocessors will slow down," Mr. Wolff said.

Alan Bell, analyst at Salomon Brothers Asia td., said, "They're in an area of the market where there is the most pressure. So if they've revised down just a little, I think it's a good sign."

Other analysts said the impact of a stronger yen would be at least as critical a factor in dampening Kyocera's profits as any semiconductor slowdown. Their exports to the U.S. are denominated in dollars, so they're hit hard in that regard," said Bill Wilder, an analyst at Schroder Securities (Japan)

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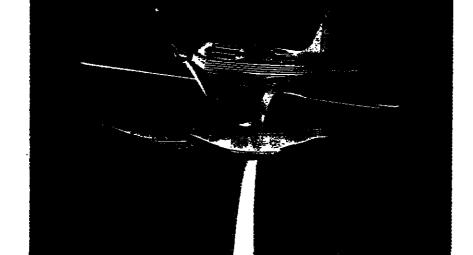




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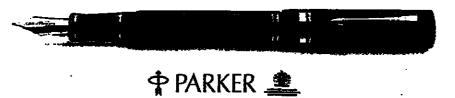
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many, Japanese officials and others

have made great efforts in the past

"The market is extremely con-cerned about the deficits," said

Frank Watson, a dealer with Swiss Bank Corp. "The administration

has not given us a plan on how they

are going to handle the deficit and

Dealers were split on their reac

tion to Wednesday's other U.S.

economic data, that of a rise to 84

percent in industrial capacity use in

October. In September, the figure

In Europe, the dollar sank nearly

The dollar closed at 1.7250 DM

in London, a five-month low, down from Tuesday's final 1.7437 DM.

The dollar closed at 122.53 Japa-

nese yen, the lowest close this year,

that makes dealers nervous."

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Dollar Plummets Despite Improved Trade Data

NEW YORK - The dollar took a pounding Wednesday, dropping more than three plennig and one yen, despite the U.S. government report that the merchandise trade deficit had narrowed in September. Dealers said that intervention by the Federal Reserve to support the

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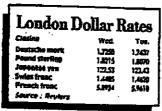
The dollar closed at 1.717 DM down from 1.7428 DM on Tuesday, and at 122,225 yea, down from 123,25 yea. It also sank to 1,4415 Swiss francs, down from 1.462, and to 5.867 French francs, off from

dollar failed to halt the currency's

The pound jumped to \$1.8325, up from \$1.8085.

The trade figures were not sufficiently positive to turn around underlying negative sentiment," said Russell Jones, international econo-

\$10.5 billion from a revised \$12.3 billion in August initially sparked some buying. But overwhelming bearishness about the dollar reas-



The slide in the dollar encouraged market speculation the Fed may act to raise the U.S. discount rate, now at 6.5 percent, econo-

The dollar has been dropping since the U.S. presidential election Nov. 8, amid uncertainty over how the administration under George Bush, the president-elect, would move to tackle the U.S. budget and

Currency dealers said even if Mr. Bush proposed a solution immedimist at Security Pacific Hoare Go- ately to trim the U.S. deficits, it would take many months to have The report that the U.S. trade an impact, not fast enough for the deficit had shrunk in September to markets in their current selling

The Fed was reported buying dollars for yen at 123.05 in the hour after the trade data were released.

lower without interruption.

Dealers saw another excuse to sell the dollar in remarks by the few days to assure the markets the Fed chairman, Alan Greenspan, to dollar does not need a further dethe National Economic Commis- cline. sion that the need to cut the budget deficit was pressing.

Mr. Greenspan said U.S. reli-

ance on foreign investors to fund the budget delicit is neither possible nor desirable over time.

A Fed governor, Edward Kelley, said Wednesday in San Francisco that he viewed the dollar as currently competitive against other major currencies.

"The dollar seems to be very competitive now," he told the National Association of Business

U.S. officials, including Manuel Johnson, vice chairman of the Fed, and Beryl W. Sprinkel, the chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers, were little beeded in the market.

The British pound finished at Dealers said they believed other \$1.8215, a new five-month high central banks would not besitate to support the dollar if it continued to fall sharply after Mr. Bush, Chanagainst the dollar, after Tuesday's

Trade Gap Rise In Australia Hurts Markets

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

SYDNEY — Australia re-ported on Wednesday its weakest monthly current-account figures in two years, and the Australian dollar and stock prices fell in reaction.

The current account, which measures trade in merchandise and services, was in deficit by 1.69 billion dollars (\$1.43 billion) in October, according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics. The deficit in September was 974 million dollars. It had hit 1.7 billion in October 1986. After the report, the Austrahian dollar dropped from an opening of 85.37 U.S. cents to

a low of around 84.53. It later recovered to close at 84.72. The main stock market indi-cator, the All Ordinaries Index, fell 1 point, to 1,522.2, recovering most of an early 6point drop. (Reuters, AFP)

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Debate Over the Dollar Rages On

Views Differ About the Proper Level of the U.S. Currency

New York Times Service

NEW YORK - The sharp decline of the dollar last week and the wants to keep the dollar at its preefforts by President-elect George sent level. Bush to stabilize the currency this long-running debate about the

proper level of the dollar.

The debate has raged through most of President Ronald Reagan's time in office, involving politicians, central bankers, business people and economists from the major in-dustrialized nations. The level of the dollar affects the trade deficit,

interest rates and inflation, The dollar rose through much of the early 1980s, hitting a peak against other major currencies in February 1985.

But the strong dollar had several troublesome consequences. It was widely blamed for hurting American exports of agricultural and manufactured goods. By lowering the price of imported products, it also encouraged U.S. consumers to go on a buying binge that led to an enormous increase in the nation's

Since September 1985, the Reagan administration, in cooperation with its economic allies, has worked to bring the dollar down, and the currency has fallen about 50 percent from its highs.

Now the markets are looking for signals on what the the Bush administration's policy on the dollar will be. The currency rose Monday in response to supportive com-ments by Mr. Bush, Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. Brady, Japanese and West German officials and the intervention of central banks, but it was mostly lower again Tuesday

Many economists and foreignexchange traders are convinced that the dollar must fall further to reduce the persistent U.S. trade deficit, which has not shrunk as fast as many anticipated when the currency began to decline.

Mr. Bush seemed to say the opposite - that a weaker dollar is not rates," said Christopher Johns, a a desirable goal - with his effort on Monday to calm the markets. But the president-elect spoke

which does not necessarily mean that the administration

Rather, it means that he wants to week are the latest rounds in a avoid a sharp, fast drop in the dollar that could create uncertainty, spilling over into the stock and bond markets and shaking investor

confidence in the U.S. economy. Even some economists who favor stronger dollar said they believed

'If the fiscal adjustment does not come, the dream scenario turns into a nightmare. It

becomes inflation.' Rudiger Dornbush, economist

that an orderly and moderate decline will not have a major impact

"If it is slow and gradual and not too drastic, it will not have a whole lot of impact," said Richard W. Rahn, vice president and chief economist of the Chamber of Com-merce of the United States. "I

wouldn't lose any sleep over it."

But while the further, gradual decline of the dollar should help improve the trade deficit, it would pose other problems. The main danger is inflation. A lower dollar raises prices in the United States by making imports more expensive. It also can create price pressure if it spurs export production at a time when factories are operating at or near full capacity and unemployment is low, as is now the case.

Also, if the dollar falls, foreign investors may be reluctant to invest in U.S. government securities unless interest rates rise. Investment by foreigners in Treasury securities is considered crucial to financing the federal budget deficit.

By Jonathan Fuerbringer only of "exchange market stabil- some economists said that if the dollar continued to decline without action by the White House and Congress to reduce the federal trade deficit, the economy would be harmed.

"There is a dream scenario," said Rudiger Dornbush, a professor of economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, referring to a decline in the dollar coupled with a drop in the budget deficit. "But if the fiscal adjustment does not come, the dream scenario turns into a nightmare. It becomes infla-

tion."
Some economists have said the dollar must decline substantially. Martin S. Feldstein, a former chair-Economic Advisers under Mr. Reagan and an adviser to Mr. Bush during the presidential campaign, has said the dollar must fall as much as 20 percent over the next several years or the trade deficit will not narrow.

He repeated the position Wednesday. "I've been saying that and I'm more than happy to say it again," said Mr. Feldstein, who has been criticized by government officials for last week advocating a fall in the dollar to about 100 yen. "I am not saying that any action should be taken to bring the dollar down," he said Wednesday, "but that the market is going to drive it

One of the main reasons Mr. Feldstein called for such a steep decline was that he said expected inflation to be higher in the United States over the next few years than in Western Europe or Japan. Thus, he wants the dollar to drop to offset the increased prices of American goods caused by inflation.

Some economists said they did not believe that the dollar needed to decline at all. Mr. Rahn is betting that inflation in the United States will be lower over the next several years than in Europe and

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TRADE: Markets Jittery Despite Narrower Trade Gap

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week ago, after the election of Vice nia forecasting concern, predicted President George Bush as the next that the dollar will be far lower a U.S. president. Although Wall year from now. Street analysts favored the election of Mr. Bush, they said the markets are reacting to concerns that the president-elect would not move president-elect would not move bilize world currency and stock quickly enough to cut the U.S. bud-markets. On Wednesday, he anget deficit, seen as a major cause of the trade deficit.

The market reaction is symbolic of the fact that a declining trade deficit is taken for granted," said Stephen S. Roach, an economic analyst at Morgan Stanley & Co. "But he met with Wednesday were not it's not declining at a speed to take impressed with the decline in the the heat off the currency markets," trade deficit.

nated securities, such as U.S. stocks

Lawrence Chimerine, chairman Stock prices began to slide a of the WEFA Group, a Pennsylva-

quickly in the transition period before his inauguration to try to stanounced that Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. Brady, a close friend Street investment banker, would

remain in his post. Mr. Roach said foreign investors

indicated to them that U.S. domestic demand is still too great, and they are concerned that Mr. Bush is "refuctant" to raise taxes to cut the budget deficit.

"Foreign investors are sending a pretty clear message," said Mr. Roach. "They want more taxes and a slower demand in the economy."

The investors prefer slower growth and gradually falling imports "as the lesser of two evils." The other option would be a steep drop in the value of the dollar and sharply higher interest rates.

Mr. Chimerine said the good news was the slowdown in the growth of imports and figures that show a drop in market penetration of foreign goods in the auto, clothing and apparel sectors. But he not-

ed that export growth had slowed, even though September marked the 19th straight month that they stood over \$20 billion. The trade numbers prompted

the Federal Reserve Board.

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Nothing has changed because of the trade data, "but there is the feeling the Fed may put up interest fears of a rise in interest rates by currency analyst at UBS/Phillips &

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THIS book became early more apposite as the sorry 1988 presidential campaign wound up, or down.
Mark Hertsgaard's conclusion is that for eight years now
the Oval Office has been occupied by a public relations firm, and that the media response has been, for a variety of reasons, gutless, complacent, sycophantic or inept. You could probably get half the White House press corps to vote aye on that proposition, but the more interesting part of Hertsgaard's book is not the troubled witness given by conscientions journalists — it's the testimony from Michael Deaver, David Gergen, Richard Darman and Jim Baker, the men who did the manipulating. To read how they did it is chilling — because they're still doing it.

It sounds so simple: (1) plan ahead; (2) stay on the offensive; (3) control the flow of information; (4) limit reporters' access to the president; (5) talk about the issues you want to talk about; (6) speak in one voice; (7) repeat the same message many times. You recognize, of course, George Bush's entire campaign. Ronald Reagan was once asked whether he found being president difficult, and he said no, it was in fact much like his life prior to being president As one White Heart side wild "He're to being president. As one White House aide said, "He's an actor. He's used to being produced and directed. He stands where he is supposed to and delivers his lines, he reads beautifully, he knows how to wait for the applause line." He is accustomed to taking other people's directions, to speaking other people's words.

If the politicians are the actors and we, the people, are no longer citizens with an active role, but merely the sudience, who are the producers and directors? And is it

audience, who are the producers and directors? And is it the intention of the U.S. Constitution that producers, directors and scriptwriters should be running the country? Michael Deaver's dictum is "Television elects presidents," and at this point it hardly seems worth arguing. But that the show business and advertising values of television should have so infected the political process (a world in which sleaze and tackiness were not previously unknown) is making a dramatically observable difference in the national life.

There was a time when the purpose of journalism was to report the news, honestly and fairly. The problem for the networks, as it has always been for competitive newspapers, is that sleaze sells. It gets better ratings. Hertsgaard writes, "The media mogni Van Gordon Sauter most closely resembled — indeed, was the television equivalent of — Rupert Murdoch, the Australian reactionary who had made millions by publishing abominably low-minded newspapers on three continents. . . It was not the pursuit of circulation per se that distinuished Several and Market had been provided from the continents.

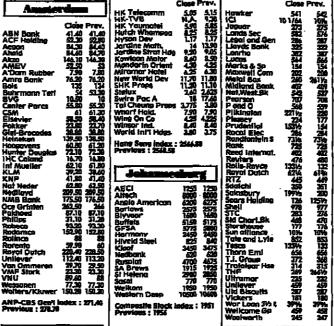
guished Sauter and Murdoch from their peers, for that was the name of the game in American journalism. But because audience was their first, last and overriding concern, flaws common to most conventional American journalism — a preference for the superficial over the comprehensive, a mindless and often bellicose nationalism masquerading as patriotism, a reinforcement rather than a challenging of conventional wisdom and common prejudice, a relentless focus on today and history be damned --- were magnified to grotesque proportions in their news product."

their news product."

Everyone knows the press can dish it out, but it sure can't take it. The usual tired litary of excuses is here: "We told the story but the people didn't want to hear it." "We're being attacked by both sides, so we must be doing something right." "Tefton President." If the president of the United States for the last eight years has been, in the words of former defense secretary Clark Clifford, "an amiable dunce," what does it say about the performance of the press that he's leaving office with one of the highest popularity ratings anyone can remember? Hertsgaard writes, "Because news accounts generally failed to make clear the real-world implications of Reagan's inability or unwillingness to distinguish fact from fiction, they often ended up trivializing or personalizing it." The political scientist James David Barber classically observed, "Ronald Reagan is the first modern president whose contempt for the facts is treated as a chaming idiosyncrasy." The journalist Jane Mayer, observing the mangled bodies of 241 dead Marines in Beirut, said, "You can't see something like that without realizing there are actual repercussions when there is chaos in Washington." It seems incredible that anyone who remembers Vietnam can forget the consequences of important of the second of the product of the pressent of the product of the product of the product of the product of the president of the product of the product of the presiden Washington." It seems incredible that anyone who remembers Vietnam can forget the consequences of ignorance in office. But then, as Hertsgaard so compellingly points out, the American press is ahistorical to an extent that makes last week medieval.

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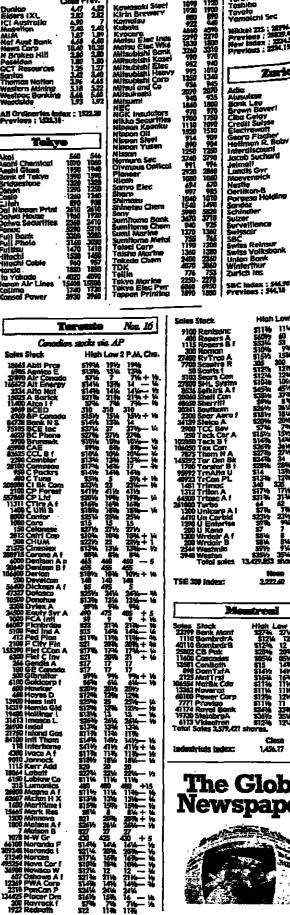
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will be featured in a special news report, prepared by the editors of the International Herald Tribune. It will appear on Monday Dec. 5. Don't miss this important issue.

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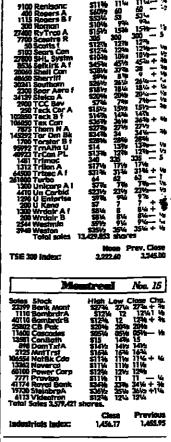
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By Alan Truscott

TN the World Team Olympiad which ended in Venice on Oct. 22. the Indian team of Rajesh Dalal, Santana Ghose, Avinash Gokhale, Kamal Mukherjee, Debashis Roy and Jaggy Shivdasani achieved the best performance ever by an Asian team. The team lost in the semifinal to the Americans, who eventually captured the title, but gained on the diagramed deal. The bidding needs some explanation.

One club was artificial and strong, and East-West were using the "crash" defense: one diamond showed length in the major suits or the minor suits. East tried to crowd the auction with a leading a heart rather than a spade, jump to three diamonds, knowing that and South won the queen with the he could play three spades if West ace. Not unreasonably, he tried for

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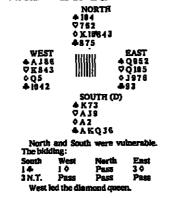
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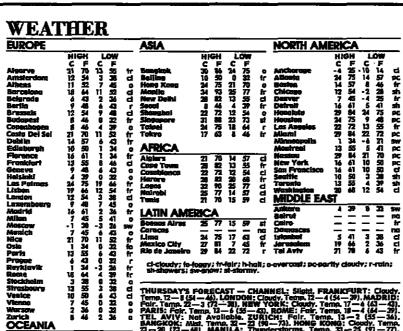
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West led the diamond queen, and the South player, Jaggy Shivdasani, knew that West held the major suits. He won with the ace and cashed his five club winners, on which West gave up two hearts. Now South crossed to the diamond king and led a heart to the ten. This forced the king, and West had to give the de-clarer a ninth trick by leading one of the major suits. In the replay, South had no clue to the opposing distribu-tion after he opened two no-trump and was raised to game. Ghose as West made the winning decision by

held the major suits, but South tried three no-trump.

West led the dismond queen and king and playing a spade to the king. But West produced the ace, and





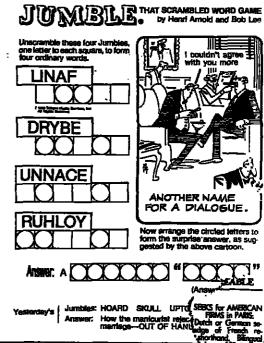


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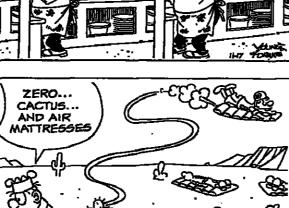
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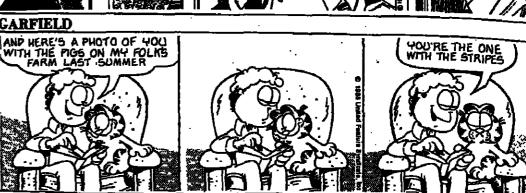
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NEW YORK - Sugar Ray Leonard, who won the World Boxing Council light heavyweight and WBC supermiddleweight titles when he knocked out Donny La-londs on Nov. 7, has given up both

WBC rules would not allow Leonard to hold both titles. Lalonde had been the light heavyweight (1.75-pound) champion, and the WBC also allowed the two men to fight for the vacant supermiddle-weight (168-pound) ti-

The announcement of Leonard's decision came Tuesday from Steve Crosson, a WBC official, who said Lalonde would probably be given the opportunity to fight for whichever of Leonard's abandoned titles

The 32-year-old Leonard wrote to lose Salaiman, the president of the WBC, on Monday, saying: "Since I don't know my present plans concerning the continuation thry boxing career, I have decided if give up both titles.

It would be unfair to those highly ranked fighters in either weight division to have to wait for the opportunity to become a WBC

Leonard is the only man to win at least a piece of five world titles. He has come out of retirement

Lalonde said Tuesday that he would like a rematch with Leonard. But if he could not have one, Lalonde said, he would seek to regain the WBC light heavyweight title, figuring Leonard would relinquish that one in favor of keeping the

supermiddieweight title. There has been speculation that The Global if Leonard chooses to tight against Thomas Hearns, as world Boxing Organization's first champion, in the super-

dleweight division. A few days before Leonard beat Lalonde convincingly, Hearns struggled to win a decision over ames Kinchen for the WBO title.

Hearns was in deep trouble after Kinchen knocked him down early in the match. The consensus of boxing observers afterward was that Hearns is a lighter who now shows the wear of THAT SCRAMBLED WORE his boxing career and that Leonard

would probably have an easy time

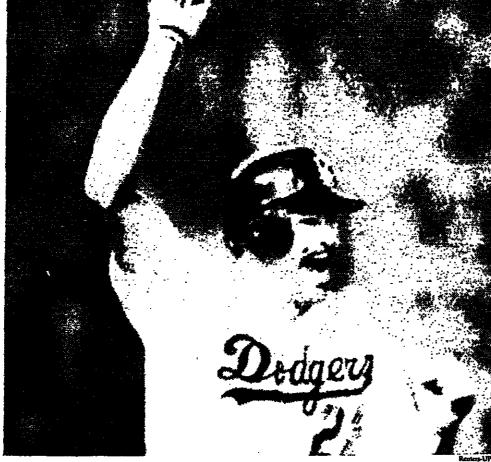
Burch, was named acting athletic director, a UK spokesman said.

Neither Hagan, who had held the position for 13 years, nor the university president, David Roselle, were present at the news confer-

ence on Tuesday. aggressive administrator and spokesman for the athletic pro-

grams. I will not be a lame duck." performance during the investiga-tion, Hagan said, "If someone

wants to use the athletics director



Kirk Gibson after the ninth-inning homer that won Game 1 of the World Series for the Dodgers.

Kentucky Athletic Director Resigns

Bernie Vonderheide, a university

Hagan will remain an employee

of the university to help assist in

the transition and bring the investi-

ation to a conclusion, Vonder-

Jerry Claiborne, the head foot-

ball coach, and Eddie Sutton, the head basketball coach, issued state-

spokesman, said, it had been Ha-

gan's decision to resign.

of Kentucky athletics."

"Cliff Hagan has been a

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LEXINGTON, Kentucky -Cliff Hagan has become the first casualty of the NCAA investigachange that is regretful for all," tion of Kentucky's basketball program, tendering his resignation as Roselle said in a prepared stateathletic director less than a week ment. "In this case, the circumstances dictate the need for a difafter saying he was being used as a

scapegoat in the probe.

The university attorney, Joseph

At a news conference Wednesday, Burch said he would be an

When reports surfaced last week that Roselle was unhappy with his

as a scapegoat, that's fine." The National Collegiate Athletic Association has criticized the uni-

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the basketball program, which faces 18 allegations of wrongdoing.
"It is unfortunate that circum-resignation, but I am happy that he

will remain with the university." Vonderheide also announced that the "overall responsibility and accountability for the athletics program" had been delegated by Roferent management style and selle to Ed Carter, vice president

for administration. The school announced that a screening committee would be ap-

pointed soon to conduct the search or a new athletics director.

Hagan, a native of Owensboro, was a two-time All-American basketball player at Kentucky, playing for Adolph Rupp's national championship team in 1951 and unde-

He played 10 seasons for the St.

ments in support of Hagan.
"Cliff Hagan has always been Louis Hawks in the National Basvery supportive of our football proketball Association, including a world championship team in 1958. He was named All-Pro from 1957gram as long as I've been here," Claiborne said. "I'm very sorry to hear of Chiff's resignation. He devoted most of his life to University 62. Hagan was also player-coach of the Dallas Chapparals in the American Basketball Association before becoming assistant athletic director

SCORING

Gibson Is Named National League MVP

By Joseph Durso New York Times Service

NEW YORK - In a sharply contested election. Kirk Gibson of the Los Angeles Dodgers has been named the Most Valuable Player in the National League over Darryl Strawberry of the New York Mets.

NEW YORK - It's not every

player who storms off the field be-

fore his first exhibition with his

new team. But that's how Kirk

Gibson opened his career with the

Dodgers, and it is a major reason be deserved the National League's

Somebody put eye-black in Gib-

son's belinet before that first exhi-

bition in Vero Beach, Florida, a

dopey little initiation stunt. The

new man felt the gunk on his thin-

ning hair, saw the traces of it on his

all-America-receiver fingers. And he went loudly nuts. He bolted

away from the field and said that

he wasn't playing with a bunch of clowns and that he now understood

why the Dodgers had been 73-89

As it turned out, the prankster

had been Jesse Orosco, also a new

man in town, but Gibson had made

his point, even if he had to pay a

pened," Gibson said later. "I don't

think it hurt. I think it was positive

over all. It was good to defuse the

fused, but it still perched on Gib-

son's shoulder, visible to team-

The Dodgers saw his glare, and they saw his whiskers permanently

mowed at seven-day depth, and they saw his football-player phy-

sique, and they decided not to

They won the division, and the

ballots for Most Valuable Player

were cast, and later Gibson hit a

homer to win the fourth game of

the League Championship Series

and the Dodgers won the pennant. Six days later, Gibson hobbled off

the trainer's table to hit one of the

most dramatic home runs in World

Series history to win the first game,

his only appearance in the Series.

and then he turned the Series over

Hershiser was probably just as

valuable to the Dodgers by winning 23 games and reeling off 59 straight scoreless innings at the end of the

to Orel Hershiser.

The bomb may have been de-

bomb right away, so to speak."

mates and opponents alike.

make the big fella mad.

"I can't say I'm glad it hap-

the previous two seasons.

fine for walking out.

Most Valuable Player award.

VANTAGE POINT/George Vecsey

It was an election that was con- place on the 24 ballots, east by two

Don't Mess With the Big Fella

season, but voters placed him sixth, with no first-place ballots.

Dodgers than any other everyday

player was to his team in 1988,

including Darryl Strawberry and

Kevin McReynolds of the Mets.

who finished second and third in

player must be the most productive in the league. In 1987, Andre Daw-

son of the Cubs had such over-

whelming figures he could not be

ignored, even though Jack Clark

belped the Cardinals win their divi-

sion and Will Clark helped the Gi-

ants win theirs and the Cubs fin-

This year there was no Dawson. Strawberry hit 39 homers and

drove in 101 runs and batted .269.

McReynolds had 27 homers, drove

And Gibson had 25 homers,

drove in 76 runs on a less explosive

more valuable than the others be-

better ballplayer than when he was

He had one horrendous batting

showing up late or indisposed for

slump this year and his fielding

deteriorated at the same time. And

he got himself in trouble with com-

ments about teammates last winter

or musing about wanting to finish

Although some Mets still have

reason to wonder where Strawber-

ry's head is, day by day, he is ma-

turing in many ways. The best indi-

cation is the gracious way he accepted finishing second to Gib-

son Tuesday, saying that Gibson "meant a lot to the Dodgers" and

his career in Los Angeles.

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in 99 runs and batted .288.

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Some years the most valuable

the voting.

ished last.

Gibson was more valuable to the

sidered wide open with perhaps senior baseball writers for each city four or five candidates in the run- in the league immediately after the ning. But when the results were regular season. He got six votes for announced Tuesday. Gibson second place, two for third, two for achieved a smashing victory as the fourth and one for fifth. On a point left fielder who powered the under-system that awards 14 for first dog Dodgers to the top in the West. place, 9 for second, 8 for third and He received 13 votes for first on down the line, he got 272 points.

better next year.

overlooked. I finished second.

over the Mets one of these years.

could have finished fourth."

Strawberry, the right fielder who helped power the Mets to the top in the East, received seven votes for first place, nine for second, three for third, three for fourth and two for fifth. He got 236 points.

Kevin McReynolds, the left fielder on the Mets and their steadiest performer this year, got the four other votes for first place and 162 points. Andy Van Slyke of the Pittsburgh Pirates was fourth with

It was the 10th time the award had been won by a member of the Dodgers since the club was established in 1931.

160 points.

Mostly, it was an election that gave the Dodgers one more dash of success after a season of remarkable success. They won the Western Saying that his life is good, that he has a good wife and two chil-Division after finishing fourth the dren, Strawberry said he "wasn't year before. They won the pennant by upsetting the Mets in seven es in the playoff. They won the His positive tone raised the pos-

games in the playon. They won the World Series by upsetting the Oakland Athletics in five games. sibility that Strawberry will take Neither Strawberry nor Then they began to reap the McReynolds influenced teammates awards: Tommy Lasorda was the way Gibson did. He played named manager of the year, Orel football at Michigan State; he Hershiser unanimously won the Cy Young Award and Gibson comthought of baseball as a team sport, pleted the sweep by being named

He wanted to stay home in Demost valuable. troit, but he also wanted to make It was also one more personal up for the money he had lost becoup for Gibson, the onetime wide cause of the collusive practices of receiver from Michigan State who major-league owners in 1985. He became a World Series star with the had been a free agent and no other Detroit Tigers in 1984 before being team had made him an offer, and when Thomas Roberts, an arbitrator, gave him a second chance at free agency on Jan. 22, Gibson put

club and batted .290. But he was himself on the market. The Tigers did not come close to the Dodgers' offer, so he changed

Strawberry became the most important Met in 1988. It takes little He went to Vero Beach eager to prove he was worth the \$2.5 million from McReynolds's accomplishment to note that opposing managers spent much of last season takfor 1988, and he did not tolerate pranks. His walkout set the tone for ing their chances pitching to the Dodgers' season — and so did McReynolds rather than Strawberplaying in 150 games and stealing

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the case may be.

granted a second chance as a free agent last winter and signing with the Dodgers. He did not post spectacular statistics in his first season in Los Angeles but provided homerun power and the tough attitude that the Dodgers generally lacked. "I'm not a numbers person,"

Gibson said from his home in Michigan. "I never set goals to hit this number or get so many RBIs. The intangibles obviously were taken into consideration and that makes me feel good."

American League will be announced Wednesday night. A landslide victory is expected for Jose Canseco of the Oakland Athletics.

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Gremmas, Billy Muffett, Vada Pinson and Dick Tracewski, coaches, for 1989 season. Added Dorren Hursey, pitcher, and Pat Ausim, infigiter, to the 40-player rester.
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SIDELINES

Turner to Broadcast 1990 World Cup

NEW YORK (AP) — Ted Turner's newest cable network has purchased the U.S. television rights to the 1990 World Cup Soccer tournament to be held in Italy.

Turner Network Television and FIFA, the world soccer body, announced Tuesday that TNT has acquired U.S. rights to the competition. The terms were not disclosed. The network said it would carry "a major portion" of the 52 matches.

The 1986 World Cup final between Italy and Argentina in Mexico City was seen by more than 655 million viewers in 166 countries. NBC handled the U.S. broadcast and paid \$5.5 million to show seven games from the

NBA Fines Parish, Laimbeer, Mahorn

NEW YORK (AP) — Robert Parish of Boston was fined \$1,500 and Bill Laimbeer of Detroit was fined \$1,000 for an incident during a game last week, the National Basketball Association has announced.

Parish and Laimbeer were fined Tuesday for an altercation during Friday night's Celtics-Pistons game at Boston. Parish was assessed the larger fine for throwing a punch, Rod Thorn, the NBA's vice president for operations, said.

For the Record

Lawyers for the San Diego Yacht Club filed a brief in New York Supreme Court Tuesday to counter arguments by New Zealand that the Supreme Court Tuesday to counter arguments by the America's Cup in club should be disqualified as the winner of the America's Cup in (UPI)

Snow has begun falling at Val Thorens, France, but officials said Wednesday that the opening of the World Cup ski season next week is still in doubt.

British athletes who use anabolic steroids would risk going to prison for two years under new government proposals. Unauthorized importers, producers and suppliers of the drug would face heavier penalties. (AFP)



Soviets Defeat Ohio State

Perry Carter (32) of Ohio State University muscling between Alexander Volkov and Arvidas Sabonis (11) of the Soviet national team at an exhibition game in Columbus, Ohio. The Soviet team, which had won the gold medal at Olympic Games in Seoul, defeated the Buckeyes, 82-76, Tuesday night. Ohio State is returning four starters from its 20-13 team last year.

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Buyouts and Junk Buns

WASHINGTON — There is a tremendous amount of deal-making going on in the United of coffee. We re offense there is

Just recently, the management of RJR Nahisco offered to buy out its cookies." stockholders for \$17 billion. Another company, Kohlberg Kravis, upped the bid to \$20 billion — and so it goes. There seems to be no end to the spinoffs and leveraged buyouts being made on Wall Street.

Many of the I firms being taken over or offered for sale are in the food busi-

So it came as no surprise to me when Al Lentil, president of United Bread Pudding said to Buchwald me "I'm making a firm bid for American Cholester-

"What's the deal?" I asked him. "In exchange for United Junk Buns, I'm offering the stockholders 10 billion jelly doughnuts."
"That seems reasonable," I re-

plied. "Is United Bread Pudding worth 10 billion jelly doughnuts?"
"It is if I sell off American's Chicken Fat business, as well as its Computer Virus division. My offer is contingent on spinning off United's Paper Flower factories, and dumping our Hamburger Helper plants on the Japanese.

"I don't understand why the owners of American Cholesterol would want to see the firm broken

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"It's for the good of the stock-

Italian Police Find **Archaeological Trove**

Agence France-Presse ROME - About 45,000 archaeological objects, stored in an illegal "museum," have been uncovered by Italian police at Trvoli.

The self-styled curator, Piero Ceruleo, an engineer, told investi-gators he unearthed the objects for his "Aladdin's Cave." Giovanni Scientilone, of the Pigorini nuse-um of prehistory in Rome, said some of the exhibits dated back to 5,000 years B.C. and included Roman and Etrascan artifacts. Under Italian law, Ceruleo should have declared his finds to the state.

nuts, which is much better than if they took their dividends in Oreo

"Suppose someone comes along and makes a bid to buy American for one billion animal crackers?" "I'll top their price with two bil-lion loaves of Wonder Bread. I'll fight any unfriendly takeover of my unfriendly takeover. I was the first

one who saw the value of breaking up American Cholesterol, and Nabisco better keep its cotton-picking hands off it or I'll crush every Ritz Cracker they own." "What attracted you to Ameri-

can since you seem to be selling off most of it?" "They're the biggest chewing to-bacco manufacturers in the world. I

figure any food company that knows how to merchandise chewing tobacco has a profit potential." What happens if the stockholders and management reject your

"Then they have to pay me to get me out of the deal. I won't settle for less than four billion turkey drum-

sticks, plus a seat on the board of Eastern Airlines." "What will you do with the jelly "I'm no fool. I intend to exchange them for some blue-chips like Tofu Pizzas. I can't lose on this

because there are a lot of pension funds that would do anything to have all of their capital in Tofu.' "American Cholesterol was a giant in the industry. Now since you

are spinning everything off, will you still make a product? "The first thing to do when you buy out another firm is to cut costs. I intend to do that with a ven-

"If you can't produce anything, where are you going to get the shredded wheat to pay off your

"Once we control American, we hope to have enough leverage to take over Dibbler's Sour Cream with the cash we made on Mother Shapiro's Homemade Linguini."
"Is there really a good chance you can put this all together?" I

asked in admiration. There is no doubt in my mind. All I have to do is get the bank to O.K. my credit card so that I can buy a shuttle ticket to Boston."

Mel Tormé Sees Life Through The Velvet Fog

By Richard Harrington Washington Past Service

THE film that opened the most recent New York film festival starred Daffy Duck. Really. In "Night of the Living Duck." Daffy dreams that he is going to sing in a nightchub for all the famous monsters of the world.

"He peers out of the curtains," recounts one of the featured performers, "and there's Franken-stein and his Bride at one table, Dracula and a couple of vampire girls at another, the Cyclops, the Fly. It is a tough audience. Daffy tries to vocalize and nothing comes out, so he walks over to the dressing room table, picks up an atomizer marked 'Eau de Torme,' squirts himself in the throat and then suddenly when he starts

singing, it is my voice."
The real Mel Torme breaks into a little warm-up vocal exercise, then slides into trademark scat. "And it's full animation, so you see his bill doing all this stuff," Tormé says, trying to purse his hips into duck bills. "It's so god-dam cute. Audiences love it." If "Night of the Living Duck" is a tale of two Mels — Blanc (the

speaking voice of Daffy) and Tormé — the recently published "It Wasn't All Velvet" is the story of just one, Melvin Howard Tormé, Now 63, he is into a career that began 59 years ago at Chica-go's Blackhawk Cafe when he boldly asked to sit in with the Coon-Sanders Orchestra. The precocious 4-year-old sang "You're Driving Me Crazy" and subsequently joined the band every Monday for six months and pulled down \$15 a night. The bad

That has been the pattern for Tormé — good news, bad news, ups and downs. "That's why I titled the book the way I did," he says. "A lot of it was supervelvet, and a lot of it wasn't." But these are the good new days. At an age when many singers struggle with their craft, Torme's control, pitch

news was he had to start kinder-

garten the next year.

and diction remain virtually per-fect. His voice is still pliant, his phrasing imaginative, his reper-

toire deep and sparkling.
What is more, he is booked into
1990. "The irony is being able to look at 1988 and say it's the best year I have ever had in my life," says Torme. "Which I'm damn grateful for. Somebody asked me if I'd rather have hed this year when I was 40 and I said no, because now I'd be in a down-swing instead of an upswing."

He is known as The Velvet Fog. The term came out of the deejay patter in the mid-'40s. It seemed to best suggest the effortless baritone and sweet, mellifluous consistency of Torme's singing. Be-fore long, though, it became an

"About 1970," he says, "I actu-ally turned around and put a clause in my contracts: "Under no condition are you to say Velvet Fog.' But then critics would write things like 'the Fog has lifted ... the Fog rolls into town.' I used to get abrasive, but now I've done something of a 180 on it. I've had people slap me smartly on the wrist, saying We grew up with that, we loved the way you sang in those days as well as now, so why

be churlish about it?" " In 1920s Chicago, it was enough for Torme to be childish. By the time he got into radio "at age 9 in 1934," he says, "there was no doubt in my mind that that's what I wanted to pursue. It may seem like I was very young to be that decisive, because my friends were still saying 'I don't know whether I want to be a fireman or a baseball player or a race driver,' but I was absolutely firm about

what I was going to do."

In high school, Tormé added the accent to the family name. His stock went up when bandleader Harry James had a hit with "Lament for Love," a Tormé song about a hopeless infatuation. At 15, he would have gone on the road with the James band had not them," he says. "You see, I regard Wells wrote that in 1945, sending child labor laws forced him to my whole career as a work in it to their good friend Nat (King)

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stay in school; still, he was dubbed "America's Youngest Hit Songwriter."

Tormé moved to California in 1942. Though still a teen-ager, Tormé organized the Revellis, named after a character in the Marx Brothers films, wrote for it and did occasional drumming. He went before the cameras, first in "Higher and Higher" with Frank Sinatra, and then in a succession of forgettable films. Tormé also had a brief shining moment in the Rodgers and Hart biography film "Words and Music," in which his rendition of "Blue Moon" gener-

By this time, Torme's career was solidifying. It was the era of the vocal groups — the Pied Pipers, Modernaires, Six Hits and a Miss, the Town Criers and, of course, the Mel-Tones. "Td just gotten my feet wet with the Revel-lis and I just loved writing for

progress - to this day it's a learning curve - and at the time it was learning how to write for a vocal group." Which he did until the Mel-Tones broke up in 1946, at

least partly because Torme was ready to fly solo. "I wanted to get out there and try my wings."
He flapped well enough to generate his own fan clubs and to establish himself as a nightchib attraction. On the side, he was writing some of his 300 original tunes. Torme and co-writer Bob Wells had written theme songs for the films "Abie's Irish Rose" and

"Magic Town," and there are other decent Torme credits ("Born to Be Blue," "Stranger in Town," "State Fair"). Still, there is a song that ensures all of Torme's Christmases will be jolly and bright. "Chestnuts roasting on an open fire / Jack Frost nipping at your nose." Yes, Mel Torme and Bob

Rainbow," a best seller about the trauma on the ill-fated "Judy Garland Show," for which Torme came out not long after Garland's death, and although it received rave reviews, Tormé was vilified. Liza Minnelli dubbed bim Old Eggs Benedict Eyes.

> "Liza came to see me [perform] in New York recently, sat at a table right under my nostril," Tormé says. "She understands now that I did not write a book about her mother to be vengeful or snotty or muckraking. I just wrote what happened."

Cole. "He thought it was a little late to record it that year," Torme recalls, "but he said he'd do it

thing else. There are over 500 recorded versions and the royalties now are unbelievable. We get

checks and I'll say, this can't be

right. It really is astonishing, par-

ticularly since so many people as-

sume it's a folk song or some-

If he was not singing, he was acting, or hosting television

shows, or appearing on variety shows. If he was not acting he was

writing usually on one of his areas

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"It Wasn't All Velvet" is not

Torme's first book, of course.

There was "Wynner," a mildly

autobiographical novel about the

rise and fall of a pop singer. And there was "The Other Side of the

That is what he is doing now for his longtime friend, the drum-mer Buddy Rich, in a biography he plans to complete sometime in the next two years.

Since 1976, he has been with the independent Concord label, and the dozen albums released by the small California company have garnered a half-dozen Grammy nominations and three

"I'm hoping 10 years from now, if I'm still ambulatory, we can sit and say, 'It's gotten better,' " says Torme. "I'm still learning how to sing, how to stretch out." He is aided, no doubt, by the fact that he neither smokes nor drinks these days. "And I'm very careful about picking new material I can sing with credibility. That's the key, those three C's — consistency, concentration and credibility Keep it fresh. Sing with interest."

PEOPLE

Gasp! A Picasso Fails To Sell at an Auction

Not every painting by Picasca is going to make a record, Christie's has discovered. Bidding on "Woman With Mandolin" halted on Transfer of Structure less than the Tuesday at 57 million, less than the undisclosed minimum price set by the seller, Hester Diamond. The Bird Cage" sold last week a: Sytheby's for \$15.4 million, doubling the record for a Picasso. Four days later, the artist's Blue Period painting "Motherhood" sold for \$24.75 million at Christie's, becoming the most expensive 20th century artwork ever auctioned.

Film stars in France, including Alain Delon, Annie Girardot and Valerie Esprisky, are to lend their talents to bein U.S. veterans of the Victnam War. They have agreed to dub "Dear America, Letters from Vietnam," by the American direc-tor Bil Commie, which was shown at this year's Cannes film festival. In the American version, the letters from soldiers are read by Robert de Niro, Tom Berenger and Kathleen Turner. Five percent of the profits from the film's showing in France will go to the families of those who died and to handicapped survivors.

The Sun newspaper in London has agreed to donate £100,000 (\$180,000) to four charities chosen by Queen Elizabeth II to settle a court case arising from its unauthorized publication of a snapshot of the queen, her mother and the Duchess of York cradling her infant daughter, Princess Beatrice.

Lawyers for the queen asserted that the newspaper had breached copying the form of the property of the prop right laws for publishing the photo-graph taken by an unidentified friend of the royal family.

The 1988 Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights Award was bestowed in absentia on Gibson Kaman Kuria, the Kenyan lawyer who is barred from leaving his country. The ceremony took place in Washington.

Arnold Rosenfeld, who has been picked as the next editor-in-chief of the Cox newspaper group, will step in as editor of The Atlanta Constitution and The Atlanta Journal Rosenfeld will help the publisher a search for a permanent success to Bill Kovach, who resigned Nov. 4. A rally in Kovach's support was held Saturday by a number of prominent Atlanta citizens.

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